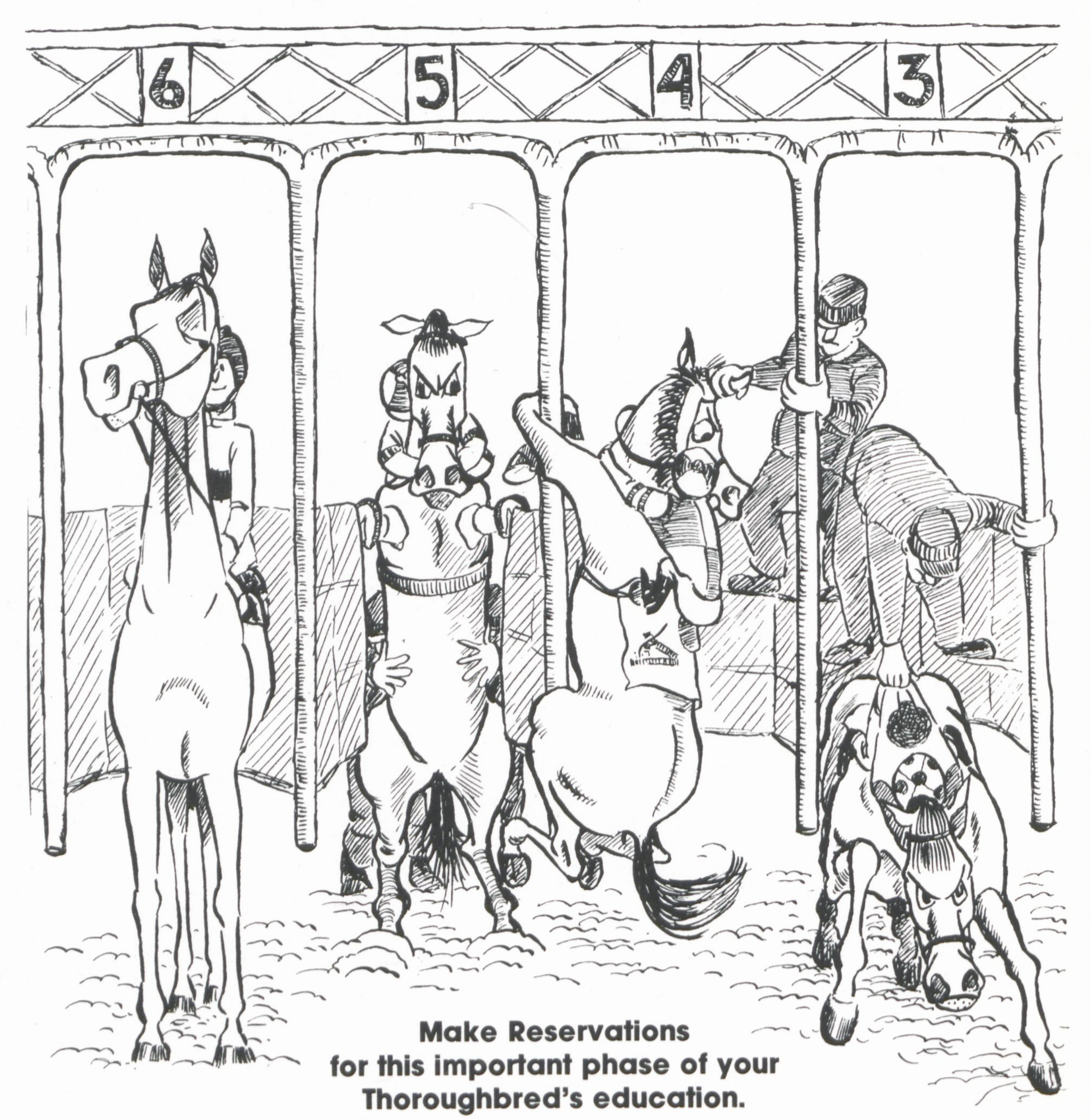
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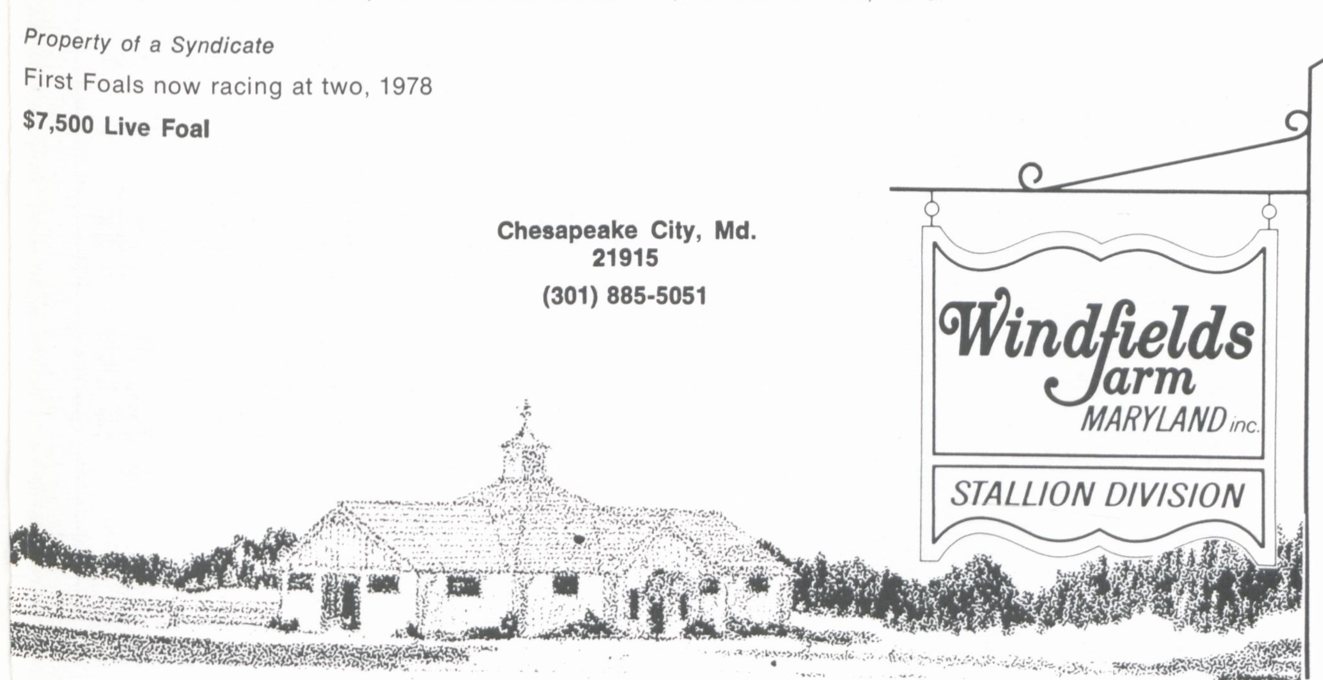
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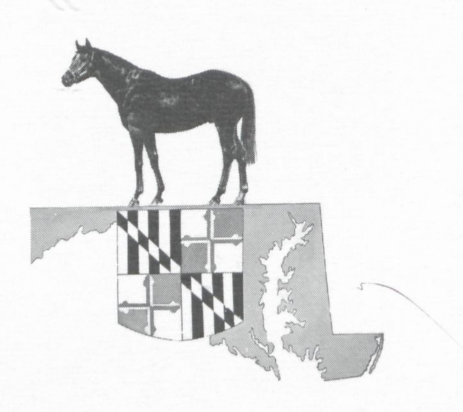
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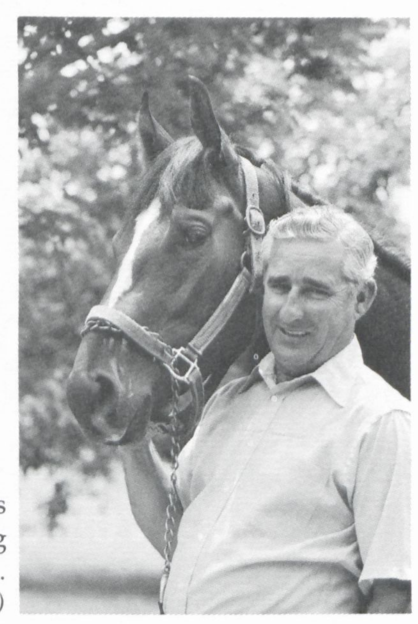
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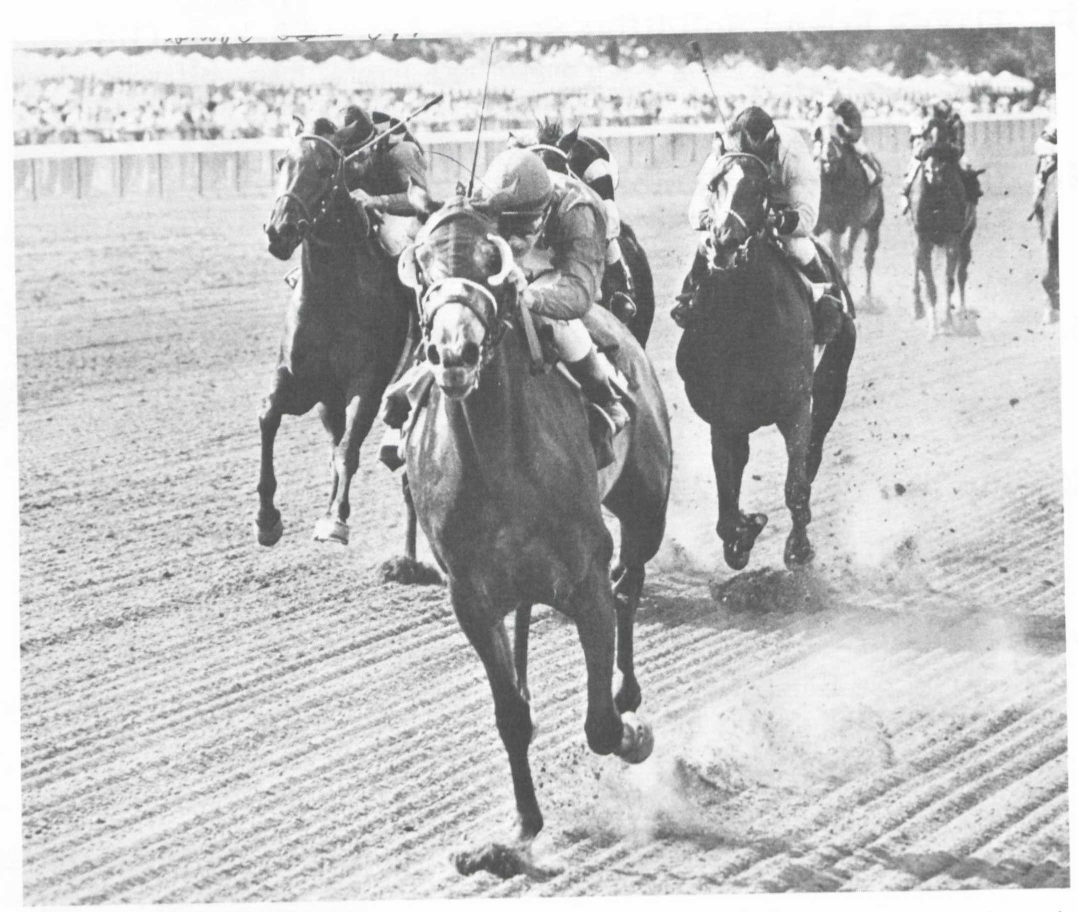
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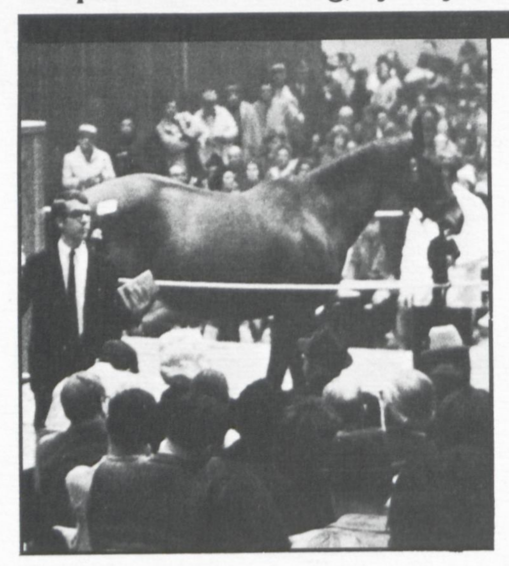
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9, DELTA JUDGE colt

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18, GUN SONG colt

Out of Princess Poppy, by Poppy Jay. Full sister to allowance winner Blue Wiz Kid (4 wins to 4, 1978, $26,938), half-sister to Guns Below (8 wins to 5, 1978, $47,726). Out of SP PRINCESS POPPY. Family of MAHMOUDESS, PROMISED LAND, SOLO LANDING, WELL MANNERED, etc.

73, PUKKA GENT filly

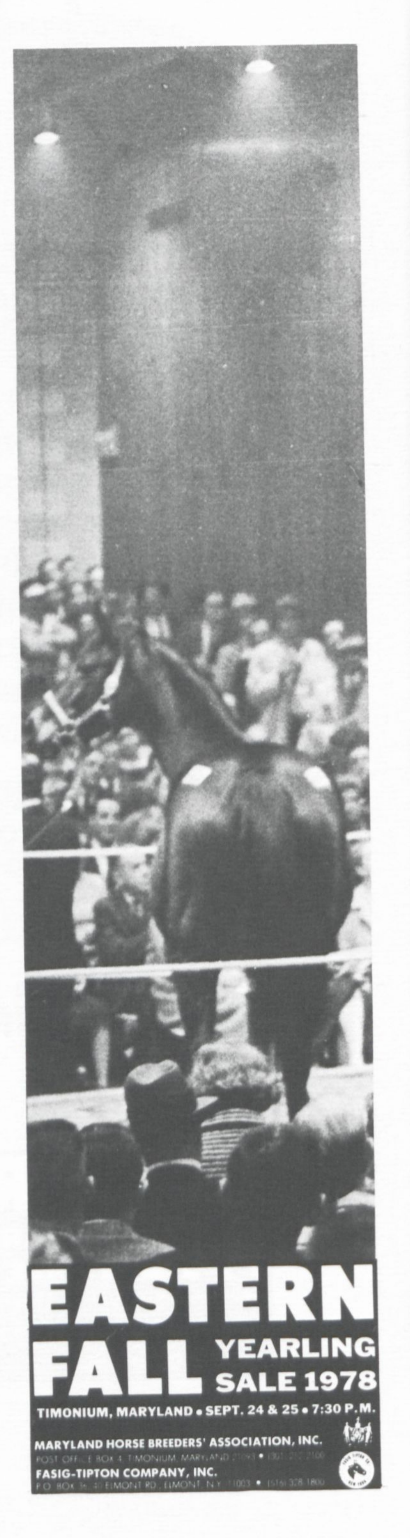
Out of Trompe L'Oeil, by *Sensitivo. First foal out of half-sister to SP BROADWAY REVIEWER. Second dam half-sister to FOOL'S PLAY ($93,930, Selima S, etc., dam of SW BIG BLUFFER). Family of HOSTILITY.

75, IRISH STRONGHOLD filly

Out of Tudor Beauty, by *Tudor Grey. Second foal. First foal a winner at 2, 1977. Dam winning half-sister to SW SGT. BRICKER ($65,218), the dam of major SW ROYAL CHOCOLATE ($245,976), SP ROYAL JEEP and BAYFIELD JOY.

79, BOSUN filly

Out of Vegas Princess, by Vox Pop. Half-sister to SP VEGAS LAD (at 2 and 3, 1978). Out of SW VEGAS PRINCESS (5 wins, $50,056, Windy City H, etc.)



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83, ROANOKE ISLAND filly

Out of Viv, by Roman Line. First foal of a winning half-sister to 8 winners, including SW CHINARIE, Caliphs Canary (dam of SP PRINCE ARIES), and to the dam of NASH BE GOOD. Third dam HIGH FREQUENCY.

96, TWO A DAY colt

Out of Ardent Combat, by Duel. Second foal out of Ardent Combat (9 wins, $30,722). Second dam winning half-sister to track record-setter SKIPPER BILL (22 wins, $262,420, Princeton H, Brandywine H, Pageant H, etc.)

139, RAMBUNCTIOUS filly

Out of Facile Princeps, by Rejected. Half-sister to 6 winners, including Facile Eugenie (16 wins, $76,563). Second dam 100% producer and half-sister to SW NAVY CROSS and the dam of SMOKE SCREEN.

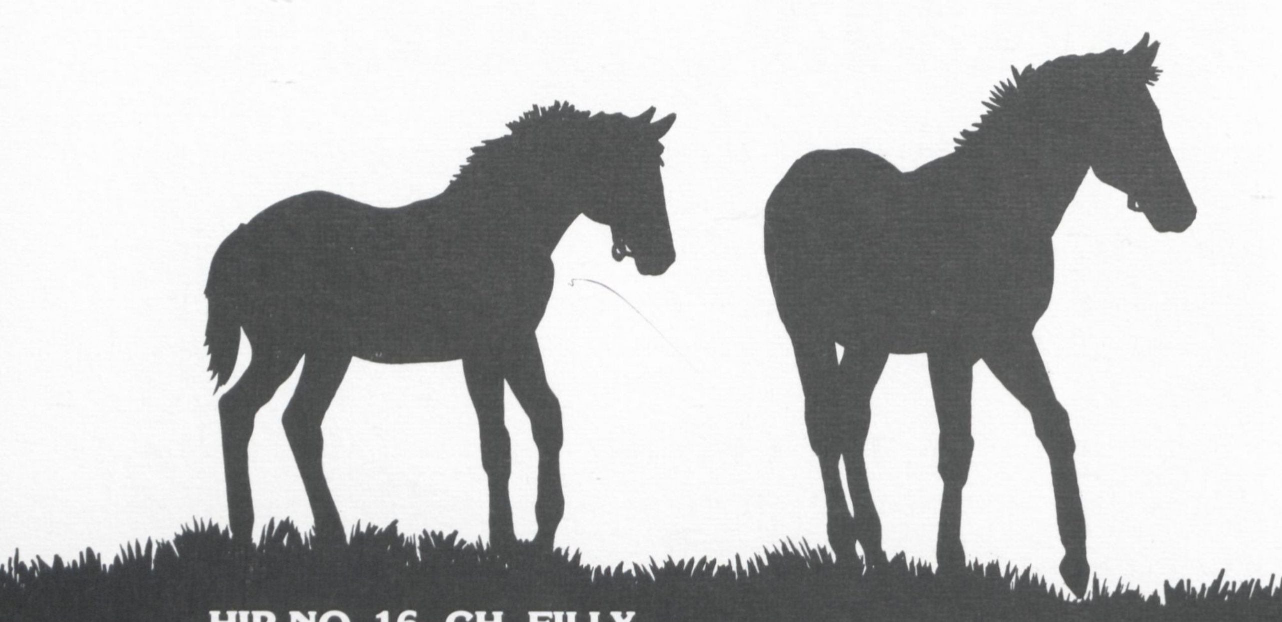
143, TENTAM colt

Out of Flighty Jane, by Count Fleet. Half-brother to 5 winners including SW TIJA (in France), SP THIRD LAW ($103,589 to 9, 1978), On the Latch (3 wins $36,334).

172, KING EMPEROR colt

Out of Lady Twick, by Victorian Era. Second foal out of half-sister to Champion Colt in Canada TITLED HERO (16 wins, $214,690). Second dam SP half-sister to NEARCTIC, CHOPERION, LADY VICTORIA, etc.





HIP NO. 16, CH. FILLY, *PRONTO — POUILLY FUISSE, BAGDAD

First foal out of an allowance winning half-sister to graded SW LIL'S BAG ($104,791). By the sire of 15 SW's including *PRACTICANTE.

HIP NO. 23, B. FILLY, ROLLICKING — RATTAN, *TATAN

Full sister to SW CAVALIER BOLD out of 100% producing allowance winner of $22,815. Family of *OUR BABU, *KING OF THE TUDORS. By the sire of 2-year-old SW GALA DECADE, plus DANGER BEARING, CALL THE KING and ENTHUSED.

HIP NO. 32, B. COLT, IRISH CASTLE — ROYAL LOOM, LOOM

By the sire of classics winner BOLD FORBES, etc. Second foal out of half-sister to 3 good winners. Second dam SW ABROGATE ($116,774), half-sister to California Derby winner JAY RAY ($192,927).

HIP NO. 44, B. FILLY, SPRING DOUBLE — SHOW ME, CAP SIZE

Half-sister to allowance winner Proud of Myself and Sabrosita ($17,820). Out of allowance winning half-sister to SW BLUE RAGE ($70,998, stakes producer) and SW ALICIA.

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HIP NO. 126, B. FILLY, SPRING DOUBLE — DACQUARE, AMBEHAVING

Half-sister to allowance winner My Chada ($22,518 at 2 and 3, 1978) out of 100% producer, she a winning half-sister ($18,992) to stakes winner IRON LINE ($97,654). By sire of GALA FORECAST, POTENTIAL, etc.

HIP NO. 128, GR. COLT, RUN THE GANTLET — DANCING MICHELLE

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HIP NO. 196, B. COLT, RAMBUNCTIOUS — MONELIA, MONGO

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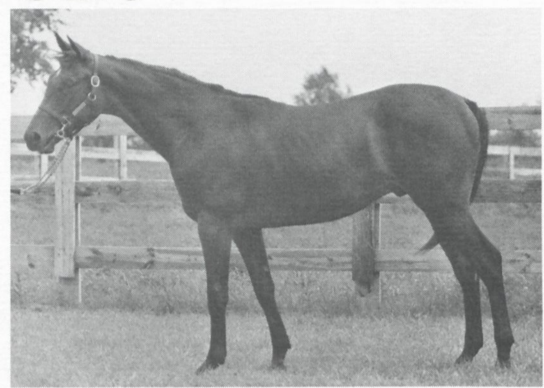
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Hip#145, b. colt, Brave Emperor—Flying Jib, by Stoic. By the royally-bred young sire Brave Emperor. Out of Flying Jib, a stakes-placed five-time winner of over $40,000. This colt is a registered Maryland-bred.

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Hip #14, dk. b./br. filly, The Groush—Possum Point, by Jacinto. By The Groush, handsomely bred and already a sire of winners in his first crop. Out of Possum Point, half-sister to $160,000 stakes winner. This filly is a registered Maryland-bred.

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HIP 184 Dark Bay or Brown Filly
ECOLE ETAGE—MAY MARGRET, by Restless Native
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Hip #12, Colt by Speculating—Petticoat Hopes, by Mito

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Hip #28, Colt by Nalees Man—Reverse English, by Reverse

By a stakes-winning son of *GALLANT MAN. Sire of 11 winners in his first crop. First foal out of half-sister to 2-year-old winner Icy Aire. Second dam winning full sister to stakes winner SWEETY KID (dam of FAVORITE BEAU), half-sister to stakes winner FERLY.

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ROCK TALK—PARTY UP, by *MALICIOUS

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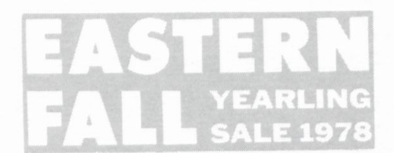
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Hip 70 ROCK TALK Colt

Out of TIFFY LANG, by JOHNS JOY. First foal out of a half-sister to SHEILA K. TIFFY LANG is out of stakes winner LAS OLAS. Second, third, and fourth dams of this colt are stakes producers.

Hip 97 ARBEES BOY Colt

Out of ARTFUL QUEEN, by ARTS AND LETTERS. From the first crop of ARBEES BOY, who defeated FOREGO in the 1974 Metropolitan Mile (1:34 2/5) and was second by a neck to FOREGO at level weights in the 1974 Woodward (1 1/2 miles). Second dam TO THE QUEEN, by *PRINCEQUILLO, is the dam of stakes-placed SAILOR STEVE.

Hip 186 ON THE WARPATH Filly

Out of MERRY ANGLER, by QUADRANGLE. From the first crop of NEVER BEND's son ON THE WARPATH. Second dam by *AMERIGO. Third dam by COUNT FLEET.

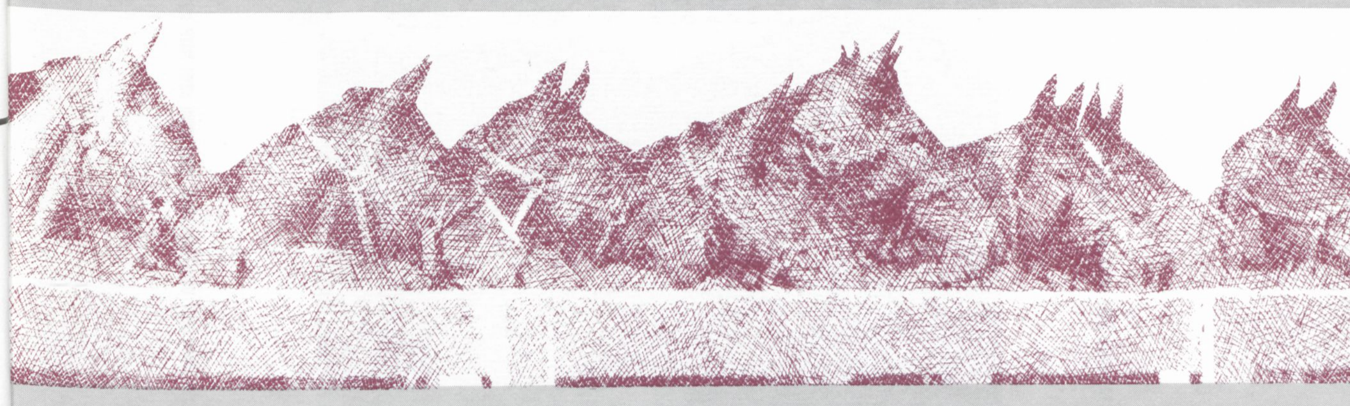
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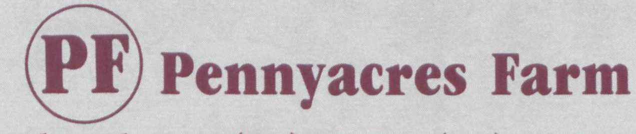
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Filly by Restless Native — Quadray

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REST THE QUADRANT winning recently at Pimlico.

Hip 162, HAZE OF SUMMER
Filly by Search for Gold — Inquisitive Pia

Second foal of a half-sister to TWOGUNDAN ($177,580) and CAVIAR KID. Second dam stakes-placed DUPAGE LADY, half-sister to ADVOCATOR ($388,658), APATONTHEBACK ($158,658) and the dams of DELTA JUDGE, GALA HONORS.

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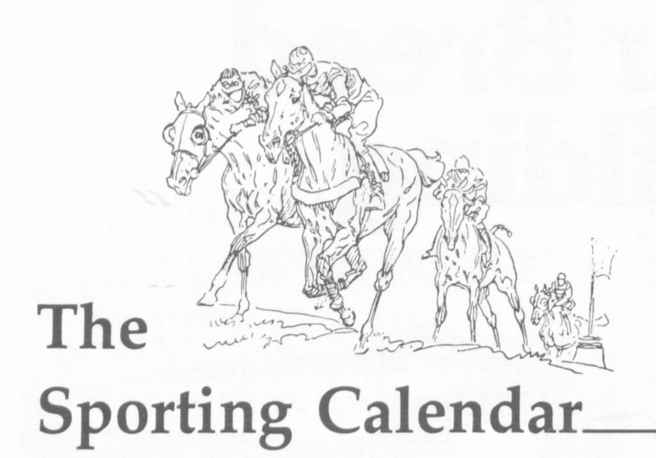
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The Sporting Calendar

Maryland Tracks

Timonium — July 24 to Sept. 9.
Fair Hill — Sept. 16 and Sept. 23.
Bowie (Marlboro meeting) — Sept. 11 to Oct. 20.
Laurel — Oct. 21 to Dec. 30.

Out-of-State Tracks

Aqueduct — Oct. 16 to Dec. 23.
Arlington Park — May 22 to Sept. 16.
Atlantic City — June 1 to Oct. 14.
Belmont Park — Aug. 28 to Oct. 14.
Calder — May 10 to Nov. 11.
Charles Town — June 26 to Dec. 16.
Churchill Downs — Oct. 30 to Nov. 25.
Commodore Downs — May 5 to Oct. 1.
Delaware Park — July 15 to Sept. 10.
Del Mar — July 26 to Sept. 13.
Detroit Race Course — July 18 to Dec. 2.
Keeneland — Oct. 7 to Oct. 28.
Keystone — Oct. 7 to Dec. 31.
Meadowlands — Sept. 5 to Dec. 30.
Monmouth Park — May 15 to Sept. 4.
Penn National — Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.
Pocono Downs — Aug. 10 to Oct. 9.
Rockingham — July 5 to Sept. 17.
Santa Anita — Oct. 5 to Nov. 5.
Suffolk Downs — Sept. 18 to Dec. 17.

Out-of-State Auctions

Selected Yearlings, Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society and Fasig Tipton Co., Rexdale, Ontario, Canada. Sept. 5–7.
Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Fall Sale of Preferred Yearlings, Lexington, Ky. (606) 278-0506. Sept. 9.
Keeneland September Yearling Sale, Lexington, Ky. (606) 254-3412. Sept. 11–15.
Ocala Fall Mixed Sale, Florida Breeders' Sales Co., Ocala, Fla. (904) 732-6700 Oct. 3–5.
Ocala Breeders' Sales Company October Mixed Sale, Ocala, Fla. (904) 237-2154. Oct. 6–9.
Fasig-Tipton Co. Horses of Racing Age Sale, Belmont Park, Elmont, N.Y. (516) 328-1800. Oct. 13.
Fasig-Tipton Kentucky October Yearling Sale, Lexington, Ky. (606) 278-0506. Oct. 16 and 17.
CTBA Fall Mixed Sale, Hollywood Park, Calif. (213) 445-7250. Nov. 6–8.
Fasig-Tipton Co. Fall Mixed Sale, Lexington, Ky. (606) 278-0506. Nov. 10 and 11.
Fasig-Tipton Co. Horses of Racing Age Sale, Belmont Park, Elmont, N.Y. (516) 328-1800. Nov. 20 and 21.
Hialeah Sale of Selected Florida-bred 2-Year-Olds in Training, Florida Breeders' Sales Co., Hialeah, Fla. (904) 732-6700. Jan. 22–24.

Maryland Auctions

Maryland Blood Horse, Inc. Fall Mixed Sale, Dickey Farm, Sykesville. 489-7148, 442-2226 or 744-7908. Sept. 23.
Eastern Fall Selected Yearling Sale, Sales Pavilion, Timonium. Nominations closed. Information: (301) 252-2100, (516)328-1800. Sept. 24 and 25.
Maryland Fall Mixed Sales, Sales Pavilion, Timonium. Entries close Sept. 1. Information: (301) 252-2100, (516) 328-1800. Oct. 19, 20, 23 and 24.

Hunt Race Meetings

Foxfield, Charlottesville, Va. Sept. 9.
Fair Hill, Fair Hill. Sept. 16 and 23.
Fairfax, Leesburg, Va. Sept. 23.
Rolling Rock, Ligonier, Pa. Oct. 4 and 7.
Virginia Fall, Middleburg, Va. Oct. 14.
Genesee Valley, Geneseo, N.Y. Oct. 21.
Monmouth, Red Bank, N.J. Oct. 21.
Essex, Far Hills, N.J. Oct. 28.
Montpelier, Montpelier Station, Va. Nov. 4.
Pennsylvania Hunt Cup, Unionville, Pa. Nov. 11.
Colonial Cup, Camden, S.C. Nov. 18.

Maryland Agricultural Fair & Show Schedule for 1978

Maryland State Fair, Aug. 27–Sept. 5.
Prince George's County Fair, Aug. 29–Sept. 3.
Charles County Fair, Sept. 14–17.
Cecil County Breeders' Fair, Sept. 16.

Frederick County Fair, Sept. 19–23.
Anne Arundel County Fair, Sept. 20–24.
St. Mary's County Fair, Sept. 21–22.
Calvert County Fair, Sept. 27–Oct. 1.
Eastern National Livestock Show, Oct. 4–8.

Horse Trials

Los Alamos Fall Competition, Baptistown, N.J. (609) 443-6856. Sept. 2–3.

1978 World Championship 3-Day Event, Kentucky Horse Park. P.O. Box 7505, Lexington, Ky. 40502. Sept. 14–17.

Darby's Folly Horse Trials, Charlottesville, Va. (804) 293-9938. Sept. 23.

10th Eastern States Dressage Association Competition, Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship Finals, Augusta, N.J. (914) 986-1704. Sept. 30–Oct. 1.

Potomac Horse Center Fall Competition, AHSA East Coast Regional Dressage Finals, Gaithersburg. 948-8585. Oct. 6–8.

Green Springs Horse Trials, Gordonsville, Va. (703) 832-3894. Oct. 7.

Waverley Horse Trials, Somerset, Va. (703) 672-3712. Oct. 14 and 15.

Sweet Briar Horse Trials, Sweet Briar, Va. (804) 381-5271. Nov. 4 and 5.

Hunter Trials

Goshen Hunt Hunter Trials, Camp Waredaca, Damascus Rd., Unity. 774-2128 or 774-0722. Oct. 1.

Maryland P.H.A. Hunter Trails, Peaceful Meadows Farm, Phoenix. 771-4559. Oct. 8.

Elkridge-Harford Hunter Trials, Dunmore Farm, Monkton. 472-4173. Oct. 22.

Trail Rides

Chesapeake Trail Riding Club 1 Day Ride, 50 and 25 mile, Equestrian Center, Bel Air. 838-3368. Oct. 1.

Horse Shows

MARYLAND STATE FAIR (Breeder Member only), Timonium. 877-7374. (Prize lists must be obtained from State Fair). Aug. 27–Sept. 5.

QUENTIN RIDING CLUB FALL SHOW, Quentin, Pa. (717) 944-6748. Sept. 1–4.

Tranquillity Manor Farm Fall Schooling Shows, Monkton. 667-4448. Sept. 3, Sept. 24 and Oct. 29.

Young Rangers 4-H Club Open Show, Carroll Co. Ag. Center, Westminster. 848-8647. Sept. 3.

Iron Bridge Hunt Club Labor Day Horse Show, Water's Gift Farm, Burtonsville. 531-5991, 596-9018 or 460-3940. Sept. 4.

MILFORD LIONS CLUB HORSE SHOW, Milford, Del. (302) 422-6494. Sept. 9.

Green Spring Hounds Pony Club Open Show (21 and under), Mantua Mill Rd., Glyndon. 771-4334 or 472-4222. Sept. 9.

Carroll County Circuit Show, English and Western, Carroll Co. Ag. Center, Westminster. 848-6639 or 756-6057. Sept. 10.

Graden Show Series, Davidsonville. 798-4211. Sept. 10.

The Free State Morgan Horse Show and Futurity, Timonium Fairgrounds. 795-6630. Sept. 15, 16 and 17.

SEIDLE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL SHOW, Mechanicsburg, Pa. (717) 766-5777. Sept. 16.

Pegasus Retreat 4-H Open Show, Pretty Boy Show Grounds, Hampstead. 429-2948 or 876-3202. Sept. 16.

Carroll County Rangers All Western Show, Carroll Co. Ag. Center, Westminster. 848-6639. Sept. 17.

Taylorsville Hunt Club Show, Taylorsville. 848-9015. Sept. 17.

Hurry Up Farm Horse Show, Upper Marlboro. 627-5208. Sept. 17.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY FAIR HUNTER BREEDING SHOW (Breeder Member only), Sandy Point State Park, Annapolis. 798-1353. Sept. 21.

St. Paul's School for Girls Horse and Pony Show, St. James Church, Monkton. 628-2507 or 848-3192. Sept. 23.

Lehigh Riding Club Show, Union Mills. 756-6057. Sept. 24.

MHSA EQUITATION DAY, Cool Meadows Horse Center, Jarrettsville. 661-2043. Sept. 24.

Greenbriar Show Series, Annapolis. 263-8947 or 268-8256. Sept. 24.

Harford Day School Horse and Pony Show, Harford Co. Equestrian Center, Bel Air. 272-0836. Sept. 24.

ST. JOHN'S HORSE SHOW (Breeder Member only), Glyndon. 429-2990. Sept. 30.

HOWARD COUNTY HUNT HORSE SHOW (Breeder Member only), Glenelg. 489-7235. Sept. 30.

St. Paul's School Junior Open Horse and Pony Show, Tranquillity Manor Farm, Monkton. 833-2278. Sept. 30.

NEWCOMB HOSPITAL HORSE SHOW, Vineland, N.J. (609) 235-5623. Sept. 30 and Oct. 1.

Mt. Carmel Hounds Horse and Pony Show, Crocker Farm, Parkton. 472-4173 or 472-2165. Oct. 1.

LITTLE ACRES 4-H HORSE AND PONY SHOW, Perryman. 272-1727. Oct. 1.

Graden Show Series, Davidsonville. 798-4211. Oct. 8.

GREEN SPRING HOUNDS HORSE & PONY SHOW (Local Member), Glyndon. 833-4332 or 667-1873. Oct. 14.

WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW, Largo. (301) 840-0281. Oct. 22–29.

Greenbriar Show Series, Annapolis. 263-8947 or 268-8256. Oct. 29.

St. Timothy's School Benefit Horse and Pony Show, Stevenson. 486-3314. Nov. 5.

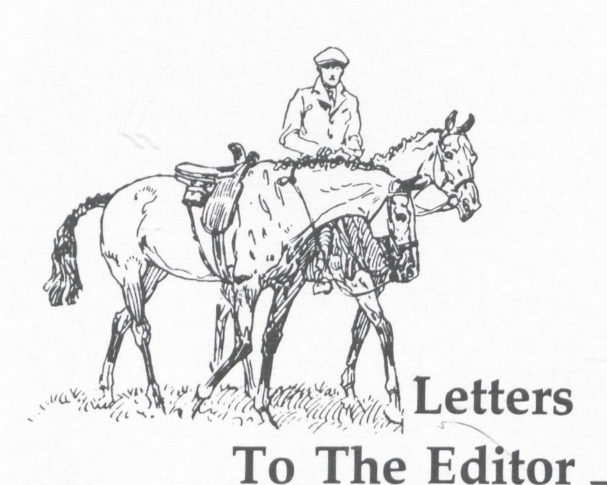
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Elkridge-Harford Trials

The 38th annual Elkridge-Harford Trials will be held Sunday, October 22, at Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Watters' Dunmore Farm on Manor Road in Monkton. Sunday, November 5, is the rain date.

Entries will be accepted from anyone who owns a hunter and are not restricted to members of hunt clubs. Mrs. Carl Shaffer, at 301-472-4173, will accept entries.

#4, F., Tatoi—Originality
#5, C., Northern Jove—Our Papoose
#27, C., Search For Gold—Rescued Amelia
#33, C., Rock Talk—Royalo
#37, C., Issue—Sara Will
#50, C., Rock Talk—Small Problem
#78, C., Illustrious—Twilight Breeze
#80, C., Rollicking—Victorian Maid
#95, C., Ambernash—Arctic Trader
#98, C., Impressive—Arty Lady
#100, C., Rambunctious—A Star Danced
#133, C., Dancing Count—Donna's Day
#147, C., Clem—Fountain Green
#155, C., Turn to Mars—Half Smile
#173, C., Tequillo—La Monita
#183, C., Illustrious—Marhaba
#189, C., High Echelon—Miss Eff
#197, C., Ambernash—Native Spice
#199, C., Salem—Normanda



Letters To The Editor

Humane Society Answers

Sir:

We were amazed at Christina Virginia Class's letter in the last issue of THE MARYLAND HORSE.

Experienced cruelty investigators from our society have visited the facilities she writes about on five different occasions starting in May of 1977. On none of these inspections have we found any chargeable offense. Any more visits might constitute harrassment on our part.

Both the American Humane Association and the Humane Society of the United States contacted us after receiving letters from Ms. Class. We informed each association of our previous inspection and lack of violations.

If Ms. Class is really interested in "showing concern" and she does indeed see the cruelty she claims exists, then she has a moral obligation to charge the respondents herself.

Sincerely,
Frank Amsden
Managing Director
Humane Society of Harford County
Fallston, Md.

Help Wanted

Sir:

I have heard about your magazine THE MARYLAND HORSE. and I was woundering if you may beable to give me some information on the care of Horses. I have been hopeing to get a horse but every time I do something about getting one something goes wrong and well mabey you may beable to help me. I have wanted one since I was 5 years old and I am now 12 going on 13.

What can I do?

I get tired of watcheing other people rideing horses and I don't have on to ride. I know how to ride. My friend showed me how.

The place next to us bords horses but they are from the Raceway in Monticellow.

I love to watch them but still want my one horse.

What can I do?

Please help me.

a horse lover forever,

Joanna Englert
RD 2
Livingston Manor
New York 12758

Thanks

Sir:

Thanks so much for the beautiful July cover of Caesar's Wish and Dick Small and the wonderful story on John and Sally Gibson. I think so much of Caesar's Wish and all of her people. By the way, your cover looks great in the frame I just bought for it.

Sincerely,
Eileen Bennett
Rego Park, N.Y.

Confidentially Speaking *by Nancy Boyce*



Frankly, I don't know why one of you didn't think of this long ago.



President's Report

A meeting of the Maryland Horse Breeders Association's Board of Directors was held July 27, 1978, in the MHBA's offices at 201 West Padonia Road, Timonium, Maryland.

The president, J. William Boniface, called the meeting to order at 9:10 p.m.

Present were: J. William Boniface, Frank A. Bonsal, Jr., William G. Christmas, Janon Fisher, III, John C. Mobberley, Mrs. Henry Obre, Hugh J. O'Donovan, Ralph H. Retler.

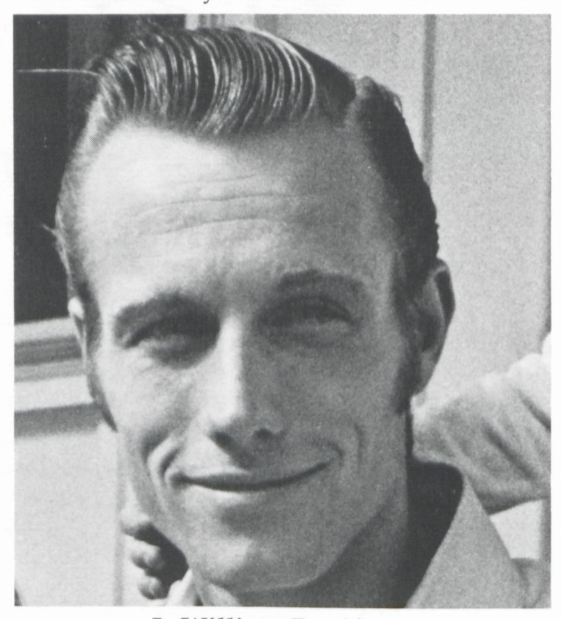
Absent were: Hal C.B. Clagett, Mrs. Richard C. duPont, Stuart S. Janney, Jr., Robert A. Leonard, John B. Merryman, Douglas R. Small, E. P. Taylor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, Mr. O'Donovan. They were approved as read on a motion by Mr. Bonsal, seconded by Mr. Retler.

The president stated that since the constituency of the Board had changed considerably over the past ten years, he thought it appropriate from time to time to review decisions made ten or more years ago to see whether those actions are still favored by the present Board. As an example, he cited the MHBA's eleven-year membership in the American Horse Council. He noted that dues paid by the MHBA to the AHC amount to $3,000 annually and asked the Board if it wished to continue this membership. The Board immediately expressed its desire to maintain membership in the AHC, that sentiment being put into the form of a motion by Mr. O'Donovan, seconded by Mr. Bonsal. The motion passed without dissent.

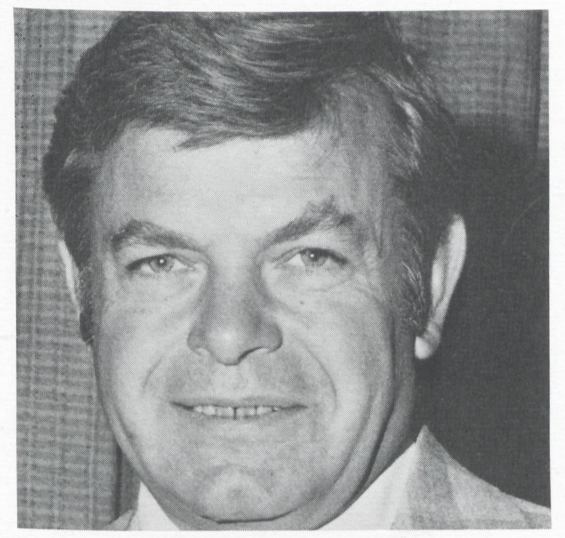
The president called upon Hugh O'Donovan as chairman of the Finance Committee to give that committee's report. Mr. O'Donovan stated that the committee had met on July 20. In addition to himself, committee member Mrs. Samuel duPont attended along with Robert Wilson (CPA), Fred Grogg (accountant), Bruce Carter (bookkeeper) and Snowden Carter (general manager). Mr. O'Donovan distributed to the Board copies of a financial report prepared by his committee. Mr. O'Donovan noted that his committee was concerned about overdue advertising accounts and asked for Board help in collecting this money. He also said that the committee was referring to the Board for its consideration a suggestion that a one and one-half per cent interest charge be applied to delinquent accounts. After some discussion, the Board rejected this suggestion.

The president called on Janon Fisher for the Membership Committee report. Mr. Fisher, chairman of the committee, stated that his committee had met on July 24 with Daniel T. Doane, E. Allen Murray, Jr., Katy Voss, Jim Lewis and J. William Boniface in attendance. Mr. Fisher said that a major drive for new members faced some restrictions in view of the association's bylaws which define eligibility for breeder-owner membership as follows: "Breeder-owner membership shall be open only to breeders of horses in Maryland . . ." Mr. Fisher stated



J. William Boniface

that his committee was requesting the Board to consider a change in the bylaws so that persons other than those who breed horses in Maryland might be accepted as members. After some discussion, the Board voted not to seek a change in the bylaws on this matter.



Robert W. Banning

Mr. Fisher then reported that his committee had suggested that farm owners in Maryland be asked to assist in getting new members. He said farms which stand stallions could be particularly helpful since many non-residents of Maryland send mares to Maryland stallions. Concurring in the Fisher recommendation, the Board asked the general manager to send letters and application forms to Maryland farms which stand stallions, asking for their support in signing up new members.

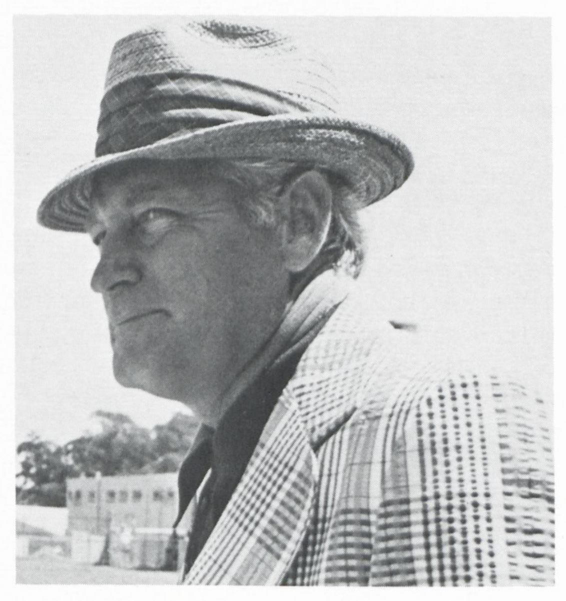
The president called on William G. Christmas for a report of the Legislative Committee. Mr. Christmas, chairman of the committee, said that he had not yet called a committee meeting because he first wished to establish the Board's views on legislation for the 1979 session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Christmas then stated three specific recommendations which the Board unanimously endorsed. Mr. Christmas noted that his committee included in its membership horse breeders from every county in which horses are bred—a fact which he said figured to give the MHBA a broad base of support.

The president asked Ralph Retler to report on the Sales Committee of which he is chairman. Mr. Retler stated that two meetings had been held in July. Both involved the selection of yearlings for the Eastern Fall Sale. He reported that approximately 200 from an entry list of 350 had been accepted, noting that this was an average number for the Eastern Fall. Mr. Retler also stated that he intended during the Saratoga sales to go over the Fasig-Tipton financial reports on Maryland auctions with that company's treasurer, Bob Becker.

The president asked John Mobberley to report on the Maryland Fund Advisory Committee of which he is chairman. Mr. Mobberley then distributed to the Board copies of the Maryland Fund program for Timonium. He noted that this program (consisting entirely of stakes) was a departure from past Fund programs and asked the Board for its reaction. The Board immediately endorsed the Timonium program. Mr. Mobberley noted that if the program turned out well, his committee would probably seek similar programs at the state's three mile tracks.

The president said the floor was open for new business. Mr. Christmas then moved that the president (or someone delegated by the president) contact by telephone all persons who have overdue advertising accounts. Mr. Retler seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.



Dr. Davie L. Paice

President's Report continued

Mrs. Obre next brought up the matter of lax prerace veterinary examinations at Maryland tracks by veterinarians employed by the Maryland Racing Commission. She said the MHBA should take it upon itself to see that the commission vets did a more thorough check. In response, Mr. Boniface read to the Board a letter on this subject which he had sent to commission chairman Robert W. Banning on June 13. Mrs. Obre congratulated Boniface on the letter and asked what reply Mr. Banning had made. Boniface said that there has as yet been no reply. The directors then asked that the letter be published in The Maryland Horse. Mr. Carter, the magazine's editor, said this would be done.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m. on a motion by Mr. O'Donovan, seconded by Mr. Bonsal.

/J. William Boniface

June 13, 1978

Robert W. Banning
Chairman, Maryland Racing Commission
Mt. Vernon Building
701 St. Paul Street
Baltimore
Maryland 21202

Dear Mr. Banning:

The Maryland Horse Breeders Association is deeply concerned over the Bute-Lasix problem and also what we regard as a lax pre-race veterinary examination program.

At a meeting on June 12 of our Board of Directors, the MHBA voted to favor the elimination of all drugs within 48 hours of a race.

Also at that same meeting, the Board voted to advise you and your fellow commissioners of its dissatisfaction with Maryland's pre-race veterinary examination program. It is our Board's opinion that many breakdowns and spills could be avoided if the veterinarians employed by the Maryland Racing Commission were more rigid in their pre-race examinations. It was brought to the Board's attention that in some instances certain horses are not even looked at on the day of a race by a commission veterinarian.

Such a situation could not exist in New York. And we see no reason why Maryland can't have a pre-race vet check program of the same quality.

Among the members of our Board, the consensus was that more breakdowns and spills can be attributed to the laxness of the vet check program than to Bute and Lasix.

We send these recommendations to you with respect and in a spirit of cooperation. Should you wish to discuss the matter with me, by all means let me know.

Sincerely,
J. William Boniface

Dr. Paice Replies

" . . . The principal problem, it seems to me, is not whether to eliminate medication for horses who run sound on it but, rather, to uncover those horses which have deteriorated past the point of a safe ride. And to do that, we need a much more stringent examination by veterinarians employed by the Maryland Racing Commission." An exerpt from the editorial written by Snowden Carter in the July, 1978, issue of THE MARYLAND HORSE.

The Maryland Racing Commission's head veterinarian is Dr. Davie L. Paice who is approaching his 22nd year on the job. He was not pleased with the MARYLAND HORSE editorial, asserting that it is impossible for any veterinarian to fully determine a horse's soundness when that horse is trained and raced on Butazolidin.

"To achieve what you propose," says Dr. Paice, "we would need help from the heavens."

Dr. Paice went on to say that he does not personally support Maryland's present medication program "particularly on race day." He believes that Lasix should be authorized for bleeders, but that the unrestricted use of Bute should be curtailed.

"I knew," he adds, "that when this present program went into effect, it would turn into a tragedy. The simple fact is that if a horse can't be trained without Bute, then he shouldn't be in the entries, anyway.

"But now Bute is allowed, and the horses we have to inspect prior to their race are being trained on it. Some have bowed tendons, splint fractures, enormous ankles and big knees. They run on these ailments, and they win. Some are stake horses.

"How can either I or my assistants (Drs. William Murphey and David G. Zipf) look at one of these horses and say that he'll break down? We see the horse, note the injury and observe that he's traveling sound.

"You suggest in your editorial that we eliminate those horses which have 'deteriorated past the point of a safe ride.' This is easily written, but impossible to define. The whole thing is that when a horse is training and racing on Bute we can't tell whether he's deteriorated past the point of a safe ride.

"Another thing I'd like to point out is that Pennsylvania has allocated $150,000 to the study of this medication problem. Maryland, on the other hand, has appointed a non-paid committee. So far the only allocation to members of that committee has been two cups of coffee and one doughnut—donated by Pimlico."

Dr. Paice says that as a further cost-cutting measure, the Maryland Racing Commission abruptly ended "a pretty good little file system" that Dr. Paice and his assistants had maintained on each horse.

That system was begun when D. Eldred Rinehart was the commission's chairman. It was terminated by his successor, J. Newton Brewer, Jr.

"It only cost $30 a day," says Dr. Paice. "We had to hire one extra person, otherwise it wouldn't have cost anything. We kept this file on every horse that raced in Maryland. It had notes as to each horse's ailments, how he was traveling and all sorts of little particulars.

"With Mr. Rinehart, it was a big thing. He encouraged me to keep it current and accurate. And in my opinion, it really helped.

"When Mr. Brewer came in, he wanted it eliminated. So it was dropped."

And how about the present chairman, Robert W. Banning?

"I've never talked personally to him about reviving the system," says Dr. Paice. "I don't think I've seen him at the tracks more than four times.

"But I've mentioned it several times to the commission's secretary, Jimmy Callahan. As far as I know, that's as far as it's gone." □

It wasn't until Dave's Friend set a track record in winning Pimlico's $50,000 Marylander Handicap on July 22 that racing reporters discovered the Maryland-bred 3-year-old was actually a gelding. The "news" came as no surprise to owner-trainer-breeder Robert L. Beall.

Bob Beall had never hidden the fact—it was simply that no one had asked, and it didn't bother him one little whit that newspapers were calculating his worth based partially on stud potential.

In some ways the Southern Marylander is more amazing than his remarkable gelding. And as far as personalities are concerned, they're very much alike.

Neither Beall nor Dave's Friend evidences even the slightest interest in racing's hierarchy—be it man or horse. They simply do their thing, impervious to style, trend and public opinion.

"I'm just an old country boy," says the grandfather of six. "I'm having a great time with my horses. And my wife (Thelma) and children (two girls, one boy) are enjoying them, too."

An understatement if there ever was one.

This Davidsonville (Md.) restaurateur has a 3-year-old who ranks nationally among the top five. (Early last month Dave's Friend was invited to compete in the $300,000 Marlboro Cup to be run at Belmont Park on September 16.) Dave's Friend didn't get to the races until this past April, and in the Marylander Handicap he shaved two-fifths of a second off Pimlico's mile and an eighth track record while defeating such established runners as Star De Naskra and Sensitive Prince.

Only once has the gelding been defeated (not including a disqualification at Pimlico after winning an allowance race by ten lengths), that second place finish occurring last month in the $100,000 Monmouth Invitational Handicap. Dave's Friend had two excuses in that mile and an eighth race: he carried top weight of 120 pounds (giving eight to victorious Delta Flag), and the track was tiring because of heavy rain.

But Beall didn't seem to be much bothered by the defeat.

He looked at the $20,000 earned by finishing second and noted with a warm smile that his horse's bankroll now exceeded



Nice Guy's Nice Horse Sets New Pimlico Record

Story by Snowden Carter
Photographs by Skip Ball

$100,000—not bad for a career which embraces seven starts in four months.

Raised in Prince Georges county, Mr. Beall recalls that his first contact with horses was walking behind them as they pulled cultivators on his father's farm. Not until 1958 did Bob get his first Thoroughbred.

Bernie Bond ("the best judge of a horse I've ever seen") was Beall's trainer until he took out his own license in 1965. Beall now trains 17 of his own horses and cares for another 30 to 35 on his farm, Friend's Choice.

Friend's Choice, in addition to being the name of his farm, is also the name of his remarkable stallion, the sire of Dave's Friend. The stallion is named for Bernie Bond who bought him for Beall as a yearling in 1967 at Keeneland for $7,500.

Dave's Friend (named for another friend, Dave Davis) is from the third crop of the Crimson Satan stallion who never once even so much as placed in a stake race while earning $50,169 in 46 starts.

It's not difficult to evaluate Dave's Friend—he says it all on the race track.

But the gelding's owner-trainer-breeder exposes his own character more gradually.

Take, for example, his kindness to David Davis.

Mr. Davis, a longtime friend, frequently visits the Bealls at their farm on weekends. A couple of years ago, he decided he wanted to buy and race a horse.

So Mr. Beall sold him a yearling.

"Dave had real bad luck. That horse broke a sesamoid before earning even so much as a dollar. I guess I shouldn't have sold to a friend. But I thought that yearling

Dave's Friend, gelded son of Friend's Choice and Duc's Tina bred, owned and trained by Robert L. Beall, took two-fifths second off Pimlico's mile and an eighth track record in the Marylander Stakes and now ranks among the five best 3-year-olds nationally.

was a good prospect. Well, when Dave's Friend came along I named him for Dave and told him this colt would get him even. What I meant was that he would be a partner in the earnings of Dave's Friend up to the point where he got back all the money he had lost on the horse I sold him. It amounted to about $25,000."

Then there is Duc's Tina, the dam of Dave's Friend.

Mr. Beall doesn't actually own this mare. She was sent to him by 70-year-old trainer Earl Mull after she broke down. There was no written agreement, no hard and fast deal. Mull said only to Bob that "you breed her to your stallion, and when I want one of her foals, I'll let you know."

Earl Mull decided that he wanted the mare's third foal, now a 2-year-old full brother to Dave's Friend. So the mare's first two foals (Future Security and Dave's Friend) were taken to the track by Beall.

Then as a 2-year-old in 1977 Dave's Friend became a hot prospect (not as a yearling: he was rejected from the Eastern Fall Sale and was referred to at that time by Beall as "the old one-eyed colt" because of 80 per cent loss of vision in his left eye).

Hot prospect or no. Written agreement or no. Nothing like that ever bothered Bob Beall and Earl Mull.

Says Mull: "First time I ever laid eyes on the colt was when Bob brought him to me at Bowie early this year as a 2-year-old. He raised him for me and then broke him for me. When I got him, he was ready to train."

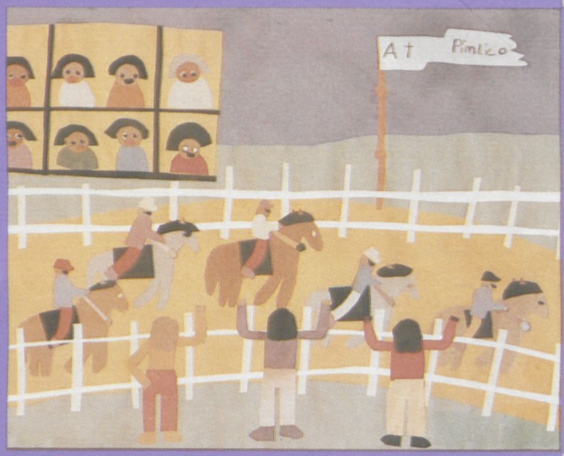
That 2-year-old (as yet unraced) is named Duc's Friend.

Mr. Mull says he has already turned down $65,000 for him. □



Dave Davis, Dave's Friend, Dave's friend Bob Beall

Good Meal
Gregory Braxton, Grade 6, Pimlico Elementary



Post Parade
Kenneth Williams, Grade 5, Park Heights Elementary

At The Finish
Reggie Matthews, Grade 7, Pimlico Junior High





Stretch Drive
Tony Massey, Grade 8, Roland Park Junior High

Pimlico Shows Local Art

"Oh wad some power the giftie gie us
To see oursels as others see us!"
(Robert Burns, "To A Louse")

The color and bustle and energy of the racetrack are well known to those in the industry, and usually taken for granted. But to a small group of school children, students in the fifth to the eighth grades in local Pimlico schools, a visit to the race track was a magic time.

Accompanied by their art teachers, the children spent the day at the track. They saw the workaday world of the early morning backstretch, with horses, exercise boys, grooms, trainers and hot walkers all going about their daily routines. They saw the midday lull, then the different tempo of the afternoon, a more ceremonial time which brought the morning chores into focus.

And they saw the people who were there to play the horses, some of them cousins, most of them unknown. The children noticed the joy of winning a bet, the sadness of losing. But above all, they felt the atmosphere and the emotion of the day and the place.

When they went back to their schools, they recreated what they had seen and felt. With perhaps a fresher and different eye, we may see our racing world through their impressions in these pictures. □

Dr. Cathy Pope Smith poses with winners in the 1978 Maryland Jockey Club-sponsored Pimlico area schools art contest. They are (from left) Charles Field, III, Eric Pulliam, Tony Massey, Johnnie Hickman, Reggie Matthews, Alphonso Guster and William Johnson.



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HIP 107

CHESTNUT FILLY
Halo—Bold Mermaid, *Sea-Bird
Second foal out of well-bred *Sea-Bird mare, from the 2nd crop of major SW HALO ($259,553). Family of GOLD DIGGER, GOLD STANDARD, MR. PROSPECTOR, SEARCH FOR GOLD.

HIP 116

DK. BAY/BROWN COLT
Right Combination—Champ de Soleil, Champlain

Full brother to SW DEEP MEADOW ($48,012 at 2 and 3), half-brother to allowance winners Coup de Soleil ($27,658), Victoria Hall ($16,567). Family of Champion NORTHERNETTE.

HIP 156

BAY FILLY
Search For Gold—*Halls of Ivy, Takawalk

Half-sister to allowance winners Convocation ($34,520) and Hart House ($26,761), out of a full sister to SW TAKARING ($60,180; dam of SP Tobin's Ring, Cup and Saucer S—GR II).





HIP 161

CHESTNUT FILLY

T.V. Commercial—Impressive Gal, Impressive

Second foal. Dam's first a good allowance winner at 2, 1977. By leading sire of 2-year-olds. Second dam SW GAY NORTH.

HIP 40

BAY FILLY

Impressive—Scottish Melody, Nearctic

Second foal out of SP SCOTTISH MELODY (3rd Spinaway S—GR I, to RUFFIAN), half-sister to top allowance winner Princess Carolina (7 wins, 2 to 5, 1978, $57,125).

HIP 52

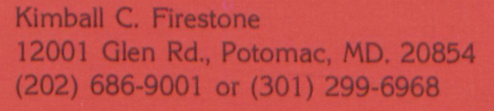
BAY COLT

King's Bishop—Snuffle, Impressive

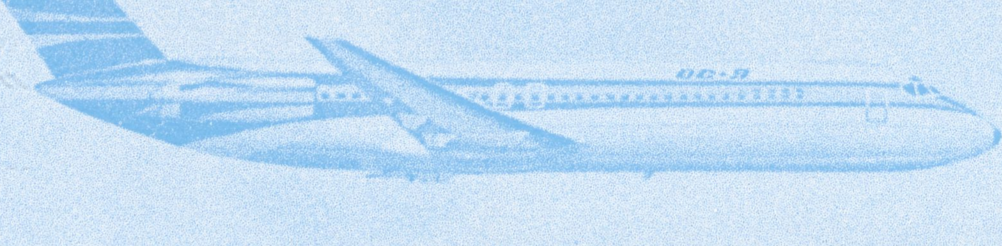
Out of young allowance-winning mare by leading sire of 2-year-olds with his first crop, 1977. Family of Champion EVENING OUT, TAKEN ABACK ($216,139), etc.



Yearlings shown here are (left to right, from the top): Hip 52, Hip 40, Hip 116, Hip 107.



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Watriss Combines Flying And Horses

Story by Missy Warfield
Photograph by Skip Ball

Few men have so neatly dovetailed two lifelong loves into a single way of life as has Jim Watriss.

His twin passions for airplanes and horses blend harmoniously under the aegis of Pegasus Air Transport, the horse flying company of which Watriss has been president since 1965.

And as he sits in his house on Western Run road with a commanding view of fields where his broodmares stomp flies, Watriss and his secretary-treasurer, Henrietta Horner, handle the logistics of national and international air transportation for valuable equine cargo. Pegasus has flown such illustrious clients as Dahlia, Hill Rise, Decidedly, and On My Way II, as well as regularly handling shipments of the world's most expensive yearlings following the Keeneland and Saratoga sales.

But these high-fliers faze Watriss not at all. The tone of his business is easy-going, jocular and reassuring. As he talks about the business and the parallel themes of horses and planes that have dominated his life, Jimmy Watriss twirls his eyeglasses and smiles a broad smile. He is Huck Finn, Tom Sawyer and Watriss all at the same time, evoking mischief as he talks. Only his laconic drawl belies the Long Island atmosphere in which he was born and raised.

"I used to sneak out to Roosevelt Field to take flying lessons," he admits with a grin, "and nobody knew anything about it until it came time for me to solo. Then, since I was a minor, I had to go confess to my aunt, Mrs. Courtlandt Barnes (his legal guardian) so that she could sign the papers."

That was the beginning of the aviation career Watriss would always follow. When his fellow classmates from St. Paul's School (Concord, N.H.), went off to the Ivy League colleges to be bankers, lawyers and Injun chiefs . . . Jimmy Watriss went to flying school.

"I enrolled in the Boeing School of Aeronautics in Oakland, California," he recounted. "That was the school run by United Airlines for training its personnel, and I graduated from there, got my multi-aircraft rating and went to work as a low grade test pilot. Then the war came along and I went into the Navy as an instructor, which next to actual combat is about as hairy as you can get."

As well as instructing, Watriss was part of a ferry squadron to Alaska, patrolling the extensive coastline that is only 13 miles from Russia. This marked his entrance into the field of intelligence, for which he was later tapped for international duty by the CIA.

"After the war," Watriss recalls, "a group of us, mostly ex-United Airlines people, got together and started a cargo company. We called ourselves California Eastern, and we basically flew the United routes with perishable cargo.

"We were the first four-engine cargo operation. We flew vegetables and flowers. We also flew two planeloads a week of women's wear from New York to California for I. Magnin, Sears and the May Company. In those days, to cross the country took 20 hours and we flew at 18,000 feet. Of course, there was no pressurization.

"The funniest thing that happened during those days was the time we were flying

a load of Rhesus monkeys from California to New York. I opened the cockpit door to go to the gent's room and about 25 monkeys swarmed into the cockpit. They were all over everything, fingering the dials and switches. We had to radio to Chicago that we were making an emergency landing, and to have someone from the ASPCA meet us to catch the monkeys."

About this same time, Watriss was involved in flying the first race horse ever to set foot on a plane. "It was in December, 1946, and we were asked to fly a horse called El Lobo from Los Angeles to Bay Meadows. At that time we didn't have our own planes, so we borrowed an airplane from Flying Tiger (another cargo company). We led El Lobo on the plane with another horse, and just tied them up. There weren't any partitions of the kind we have now.

"Well, I remember, the runway was dirt, and rain was coming down hard, and there was little visibility. We began to taxi out on the runway in thick mud, and didn't see a ditch across our path. We hit the ditch and piled the two horses and the five people all up together. Luckily we were able to keep going and we got El Lobo to Bay Meadows unharmed." (Note: Charts show that El Lobo ran third in the $10,000 Veterans Rehabilitation Handicap.)

At that point, little did Watriss dream that he would be flying an average of 500 horses a year all over the world for a living. Several other careers preceded Pegasus.

"We sold the California cargo company in 1951, and I then worked for Hiller Helicopters in Palo Alto, California, for a year."

As Watriss talks, his secretary Henrietta comes in to say that veteran trainer "Uncle" Charlie White is there for lunch . . . and that lunch is ready. Henrietta, who keeps the books for all four branches of Pegasus while watching over "corporate" headquarters on Western Run road, also has made lunch for everyone. "It's all in a day's work," she laughs.

And the conversation swings to horses, this time to Watriss' promising 2-year-old colt, Nomad, who has just won his third race from four starts — an allowance at Delaware Park. Nomad is a Restless Native colt out of Watriss' chestnut mare Blaheen. Katy Voss, who has an affinity with the offspring of Restless Native, is the trainer. "Katy knows just what to do to keep them interested and not let them sulk," says Watriss. "But I never bred anything else that ever amounted to much except Wing Commander, by Big Brave out of *Cumula. That horse was sent to England and was a stakes winner." (Wing Commander was the winner of the Granville Stakes at Ascot and the Box Hill Stakes in 1967.)

But owning and breeding horses, as Jim Watriss has done in Maryland for the last 22 years, was still a career or two away for the intrepid pilot of the 1940's. "While I was flying helicopters," Watriss continues, "I was asked to take a job as an aviation consultant for the CIA. I can't go into what I did, but I moved my family to Greece and lived there for three years. (In the early '40's Watriss had married Lorraine Ames from San Mateo, and they had two daughters, Wendy and Whitney.) Then I was reassigned to Washington, and we all moved back."

Watriss was still flying then on undisclosed missions for the CIA. About that time, he bought his first Maryland property, a farm in Daisy. Today, that Daisy farm is the home of Drs. Jimmy and Brenda Stewart and is known as Oak 'n Thistle.

But then another European assignment came up — to fly for a construction company surveying sites for airports all over Africa. That was too good to resist, and the whole family went back to Europe again.

At about that time, Watriss took yet another year in Europe to play yet another unusual role . . . that of assistant movie producer. Not too many people are aware that the extravaganza ("It was a flop") *John Paul Jones* carried Watriss' name in the credits. "That sojourn was really coincidence more than anything," he said wryly. "A lot of ex-Navy people in Washington wanted to make this film, and quite a lot of people invested. I was picked to go to Spain and paid by the movie company to keep an eye on the investment. The movie starred Bob Stack and Bette Davis and I can't even remember who else. Well, three perfect replicas of ships were made and in the end two were totally destroyed as part of the movie."

Nursing the failure of the movie and the dissolution of his marriage as well, Watriss returned to Maryland and in short order reestablished both a business and a family. Marrying Philadelphian Paula Denkla, Jim Watriss bought a house on Cuba road and expanded his horse operation. Two sons, Paddy and Michael, soon appeared. At the same time, he started an aircraft maintenance company based at Friendship (Baltimore-Washington International) airport. This business venture was unsuccessful and Watriss was in a quandry as to what to do.

And then a tragedy led to Pegasus . . . and the present business Watriss runs. "There was a man called Fred Almy who had been a pioneer in the horse aviation business. He was not well and needed some security. So a few of us got together to revive his flagging business, mainly to help him financially. Well, on the first shipment of horses — they were actually in the air — I was in the room with Almy and he had a heart attack and died right then. I took over the logistics and got the horses the rest of the way.

"Soon after, friends came to me and said, 'Why don't you get in this business? You know airlines and you know horses and it's a natural.'

"I took several months to determine if there would be a market for this kind of service and decided to go for it. We began with a few staunch customers, and in the early years we might have shipped 200 head or so. But the market grew and we have averaged 500 head a year. Last year was off because of the metritis problem, but in 1976 we shipped 900 horses."

Pegasus does not own any planes, but instead leases them as needed from Pan Am, Flying Tiger (which is now the major cargo company in the country) and other airlines. They also lease the partitions which are put into the plane to hold the horses, although Watriss says, "We are now building our own." And the demand for flying livestock other than horses has suddenly become a growing market, enough to open an office specifically to handle cattle and sheep out of Houston.

"Most of the other livestock we ship to South and Central America and to South Africa. We were recently asked to bid on shipping 1,000 head of sheep and 1,000 head of cattle to Riad."

Thoroughbreds are only one breed of horse to be flown on demand. "We have a regular shipment of 75 Standardbreds from New Zealand and Australia into San Francisco every month," Watriss says. "They must stay in quarantine three days or long enough to get their Coggins tests done. Shipping out to those countries is another story, however. The horses for New Zealand and Australia must go to England first and stay in quarantine two months."

The Pegasus network includes offices in San Francisco, Houston, New York, and the office and living quarters for Watriss (now a bachelor) in Cockeysville. There he keeps a hunter for his son Paddy, his youngest son Michael being unabashedly uninterested in horses.

Also, in the field below the house his two broodmares are in easy sight. Hill Race, a big-boned dark brown mare who is a full sister to Hill Rise, stands head to tail with Blaheen, dam of Nomad. Hill Race is in foal to What Luck, and Blaheen has been to the court of Hail the Pirates.

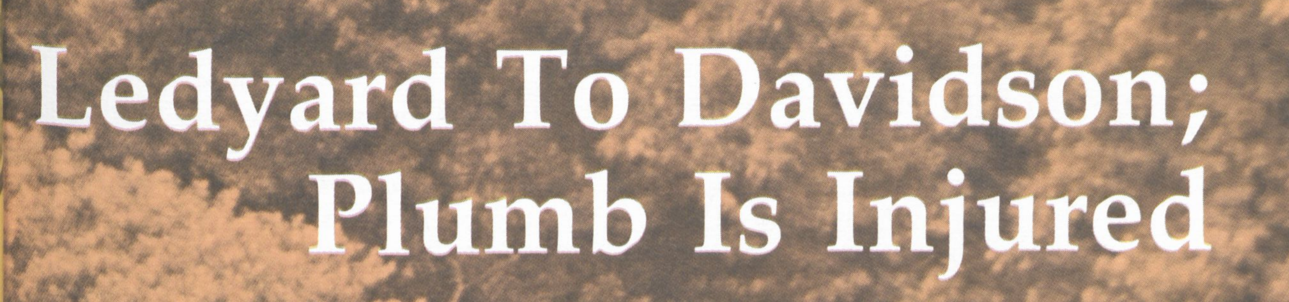
And as he juggles the joshing of his longtime friend, veteran trainer Charlie White, and plans the shipment of yearlings from Keeneland to Ireland and of the international event horses to the World Championships in Kentucky, Watriss remains low key, the twinkle in his eye intact.

Philosophers say the secret of a happy life is doing what you love for a living. If that is so, Jimmy Watriss has certainly found the key. □



Beth Perkins on Hot Shot Shawn

Ledyard To Davidson; Plumb Is Injured



Riding Irish Cap, Bruce Davidson prevails at Ledyard '78 as Mike Plumb sustains an injury, forcing his withdrawal and putting his participation in the World Championships in jeopardy. Sally O'Connor's account of Ledyard follows.

America's greatest three-day rider, J. Michael Plumb, sustained an injury at Ledyard's USET World Championship Selection Trials which could conceivably sideline him for September's all-important World Championships to be held in Lexington, Ky.

Riding Better and Better in the cross-country at Ledyard on July 22, Mike sustained something similar to a whiplash injury when his horse pecked badly on landing at the sixth jump. Although he stayed in the saddle, Mike put so much stress on a groin muscle that it ruptured.

He was obliged to withdraw from the three-day event, a fact which eliminated both of his mounts—Better and Better and Laurenson.

With Plumb out early, victory in the open intermediate division went to Bruce Davidson astride Irish Cap. Bruce finished with 44.4 penalty points, eight better than Danielle Bergeron (Canada) who was eliminated on a technicality and accordingly received no official placing.

The second place ribbon went to Jim Wofford on Carawich with a score of 54.8.

Weather for the late July competition was insufferably hot. Each day the thermometer hit 95 degrees or higher.

There were 52 entries in the open intermediate. Represented, in addition to the USA, were Canada, Japan and New Zealand. The preliminary division drew so many entries it had to be separated into two divisions.

And among the observers at this world-renowned competition were uniformed officials of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

They had been lured to the trials by publicity from the 1977 event during which a horse had collapsed and died on the cross-country course. The SPCA people took their role seriously, monitoring officials and competitors alike.

Because of the nearly intolerable heat, the ground jury elected to reduce the roads and tracks phase for preliminary horses from 7,000 meters to a mere 1,000 meters. A compulsory vet inspection before the horses went cross-country was added as a safeguard and two horses were ordered withdrawn when it was found that their pulse and respiration greatly exceeded a normal level.

Open intermediate dressage was dominated by team riders, with Bruce Davidson on Irish Cap managing to take a slight lead from Mike Plumb, riding Laurenson. Laurenson broke into a canter on one trot movement, dropping him a fraction behind Cappy. Danielle Bergeron, who had a horrendous dressage ride





After the dressage phase, Davidson and Irish Cap (right) held a slight lead over Plumb on Laurenson (top).

Photographs by Barry Kaplan

at Ledyard '77 with some 80 or so penalties, this time put in a terrific test to finish in third place at the end of the day.

The cross-country course for the open intermediate was not as fearsome as last fall's international course, although it followed much the same pattern. However, a new fence at the bottom of the hill below Ledyard Farm drew a great deal of attention and head scratching from the riders. Its conglomeration of criss-cross ditches and rails offered many options. And it turned out to be worse than it looked. Because of the dry weather, the landing had been well soaked with water all week to ensure softness. Unfortunately it also made the ground sticky. In an unprecedented move the ground jury removed the obstacle (No. 6) from the course *after the first few riders had jumped it.* A wise move, but one that was too late for Maryland's Mike Plumb.

Dame Fortune has been smiling on Mike all through the series of selection trials. With two good horses in his stable he has been unbeatable. Dame Fortune, however, is notoriously capricious and she lived up to her reputation. Coming into the sixth fence on Better and Better, Mike held the big chestnut together for the takeoff, but the horse pecked on landing, throwing his rider back in the saddle. The groin injury sustained in the incident forced Mike to withdraw.



Fortune played games with other riders, too.

Bea Perkins, who had had such bad luck at Blue Ridge, started out over the first two fences and found that The Sheik just "wasn't jumping well." He literally crawled over the third fence and then fell at the bounce. He refused again at the water and was withdrawn. Later, it was found that the horse had pulled a muscle.

Beth Perkins on Hot Shot Shawn was way down in the dressage and elected to throttle down her big bay Quarter Horse for the cross-country. She incurred 11 penalty points, but was pleased that he jumped well.

The New Zealanders, facing their biggest course since their arrival in America, had mixed fortunes. Mark Todd on Top Hunter, a big scopey chestnut, went clean and fast to pull them up to eighth place after the cross-country phase. Nicoli Fife with Never Dwell finished strong, although Nicoli nearly passed out from the heat. Joanne Bridgman and Bandolier fell at The Eyelash but completed the course and Mary Hamilton and Arranshar never got past the third fence.

However, most of the open intermediate horses went around without problems.

In the preliminary division it was a different story. The course was practically the same as the one used for the preliminary championships last year and it was BIG. Some riders facing their first preliminary course were undone by the size of the fences. "I've never jumped anything like that," said one. "They're enormous!" A high percentage—twenty horses—never made it around. Of the others, seven went clean in Division A and 11 in Division B. The rest all had stops at one fence or another. It didn't seem to be any one fence that caused the problems.

Second in the intermediate division was Jim Wofford, astride his strapping new English import, Carawich.

For Maryland, in Division A Lisa Kadie from Poolesville was eliminated with Cedar Ford, and in Division B Maureen Sullivan, with Bantry Bay, had a stop at the water but finished the rest of the course in good order and came in to the vet check with the best recovery numbers of any horse in competition.

With the absence of Plumb the open intermediate division was won comfortably by Davidson and Irish Cap, the current holders of the world title. On the strength of their form at Ledyard they should give a good account of themselves in defending the title. Danielle Bergeron of Canada had a clean go cross-country and was in second place until she fell afoul of a drug ruling. It seems her horse had developed colic in the night and the vet who was called administered a drug that turned out to be on the AHSA restricted list. Danielle, through no fault of her own, was eliminated for a technicality. This brought Jim Wofford, and his big new horse Carawich, up into second place. Jim has found in Carawich a replacement for his great Kilkenny with whom he placed third overall at the World Championships in Ireland in 1970.

After the actual competition came the moment that everyone had been waiting for, the announcement of the short list for the World Championships.

Jack Le Goff and the selection committee, facing an audience of riders, parents, spectators and press, announced the following:

"There are three separate lists for the World Championships. List A contains the names of those who will most probably ride as team members: Tad Coffin, Bruce Davidson, Mike Plumb, Mary Anne Tauskey, Jim Wofford.

"List B contains the names of the riders who will in all probability go as individuals: Rebecca Coffin, Derek di Grazia, Mike Huber, Story Jenks, Desiree Smith, Caroline Treviranus, Torrance Watkins.

"The final list is those riders who will be considered as reserves if anything happens to any of the others: Lornie Forbes, Jim Gornall, Mary Hazzard, Ralph Hill, Beth Perkins, Karen Sachey."

The riders on list B were invited to stay in South Hamilton for a three-week period to train for the final selection trial to be held at Chesterland, August 11-13. □

Levi's Bet On A Person Pays Off In Horses

By Snowden Carter

Speaking in the even, unexcited tones of a banker and major business executive, Robert H. Levi says: "I know absolutely nothing about horses. In the past 25 years, I've seen three races. I don't get any thrill out of betting on horses. But I do enjoy betting on people."

Despite his lack of knowledge, Mr. Levi has, during the past two years, bought a 50 per cent interest in two stakes-winning race horses. And today he says, "I'm quite confident I could double what I've invested in those horses if I were to sell my interests."

Mr. Levi, 63, is vice chairman of the board at Mercantile-Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Formerly, he was chairman of the bank's executive committee, having gone to work for Mercantile after 25 years in the retail business. During that period he rose to the position of president and chairman of the board of the Hecht company.

So how did Mr. Levi, who lives on a 40-acre estate in Brooklandville, come to make two such wise horse investments?

"In 1976," says the Johns Hopkins graduate, "I was introduced to Cot (W. Cothran) Campbell. He explained to me in considerable detail what he wanted to accomplish with the syndicates he was forming at his Dogwood Farm in Georgia.

"I listened to him. The more he talked, the more I became impressed with him. And, later, I decided to make my bet. It was on Cot Campbell, the man. And I think it's fair to say I chose a winner."

The two horses in which Mr. Levi invested were *Dominion and Practitioner. *Dominion has won three stakes and $133,234 since being acquired. Practitioner has won five stakes and nearly $200,000.

"When I met Cot," continues Mr. Levi, "he was at our bank explaining to one of our senior vice presidents his plans for the syndication of young (yearlings and 2-year-olds) horses. That senior vice president asked me to talk to him, to see what I thought of Cot Campbell—not necessarily his plan.

"Well, obviously, I was impressed.

"And gradually it occurred to me that I myself might do well to invest a little money. It would be a profit venture first, and secondly it would give me a chance to depreciate horses that, when after being depreciated, might have more value than when acquired.

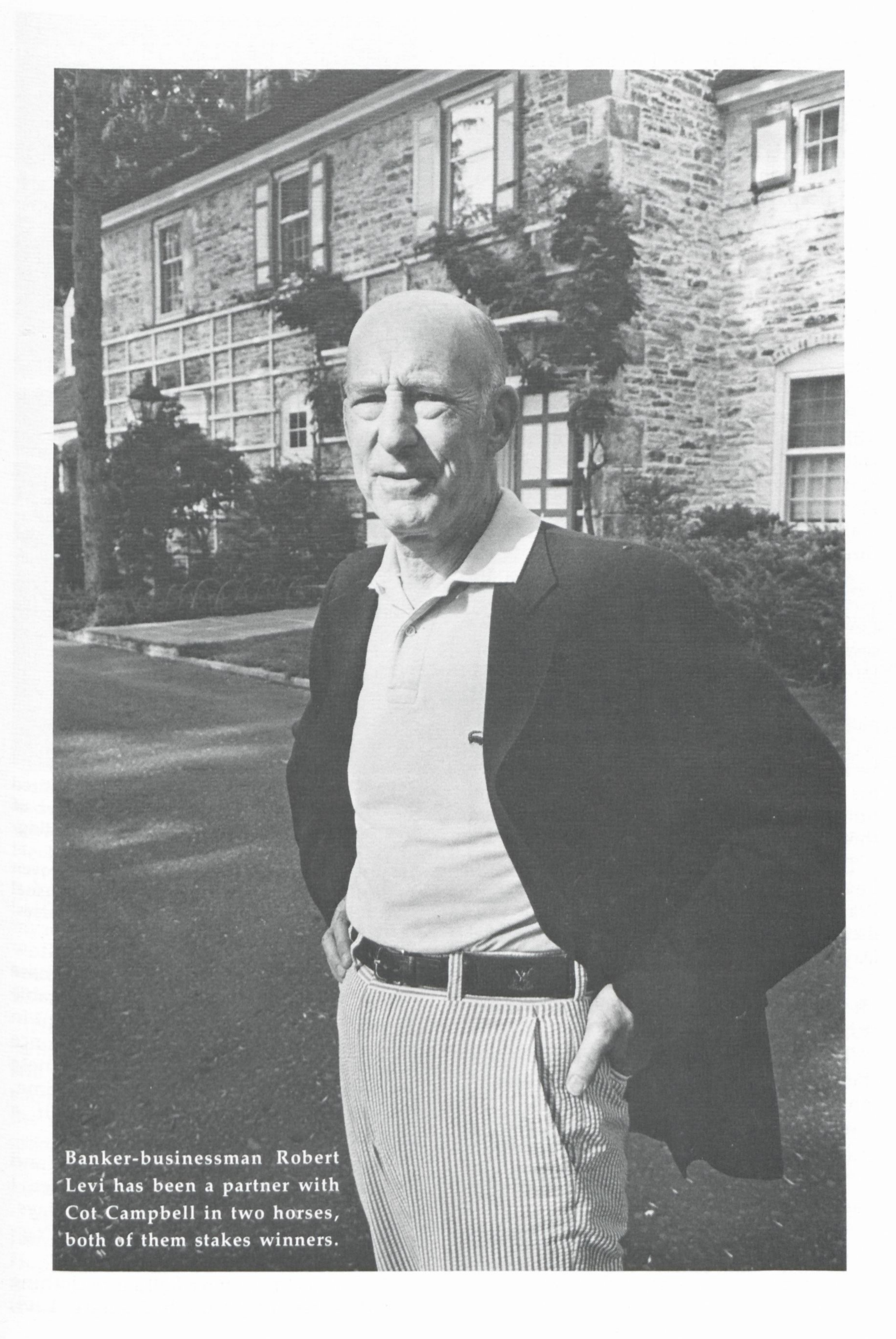
"But I didn't like Cot's concentration on young, untried horses.

"I have always operated on the theory that any product that I might invest in must possess quality. I don't care what the product is—the retail business, art, sculpture, anything.

"And if a horse is unraced, how do you know it possesses quality?

"So I made Cot a proposal. I said, 'How would you like to buy a horse with proven quality? I'll go in for half, and the selection will be entirely up to you.' "

Campbell agreed to the proposition and while in England later that year (1976)



Banker-businessman Robert Levi has been a partner with Cot Campbell in two horses, both of them stakes winners.

purchased the 5-year-old * Dominion (Derring-Do out of Picture Palace by Princely Gift) who was then a winner of about $75,000.

Brought to this country, * Dominion doubled his lifetime earnings within a year. He has won three stakes (Bernard Baruch Handicap, Palmetto Handicap and Meadowland Handicap) in addition to placing in two others (Chicago Handicap and Calder Handicap).

Seeing that his judgment on Campbell had been vindicated, Mr. Levi had no qualms in going in with the Georgia horseman on a second runner, the then 4-year-old colt Practitioner.

Practitioner (acquired in July, 1977, from Mill House) has done even better than his stablemate. He has won five stakes (Delray Handicap, Cortez Handicap, McKnight Handicap, Canadian Turf Handicap and the Hallandale Handicap) while placing in three others.

Although both horses were originally bought on an equal partnership basis by Levi and Campbell, both now have three owners—Campbell having reduced his interests to 25 per cent.

"Cot did that with my permission," explains Mr. Levi. "The financial investment was too large for him. So I told him it would be all right for him to take in one partner on his half of the horses, but no more than one. I don't like owning things when more than three people are involved."

This does not mean, however, that Mr. Levi will divest himself of his holdings in Practitioner now that the horse is to be syndicated after breaking down on Memorial Day at Calder.

"I'll keep some shares in him," says Levi. "It will be my first experience in the ownership of a stallion."

(Practitioner, whose lifetime earnings stand at $259,611, will stand next year at John Hartigan's Cashel Stud in Ocala.)

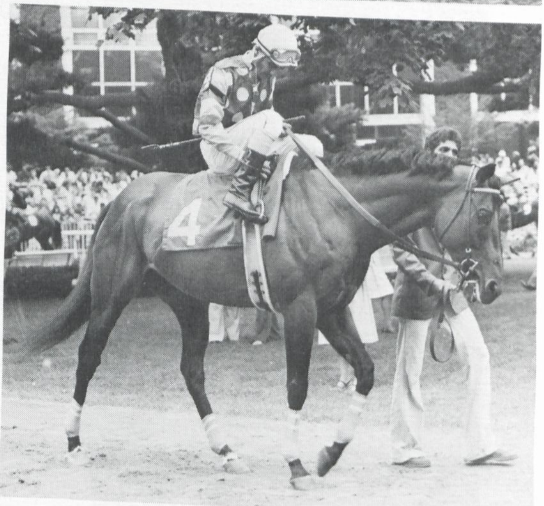
Is Mr. Levi likely to press his luck and try again with another horse?

"Yes, if Cot finds the quality horse and wants my participation.

"No, if Cot wants me to buy in on just another horse."

And how about going to the track just to have fun?





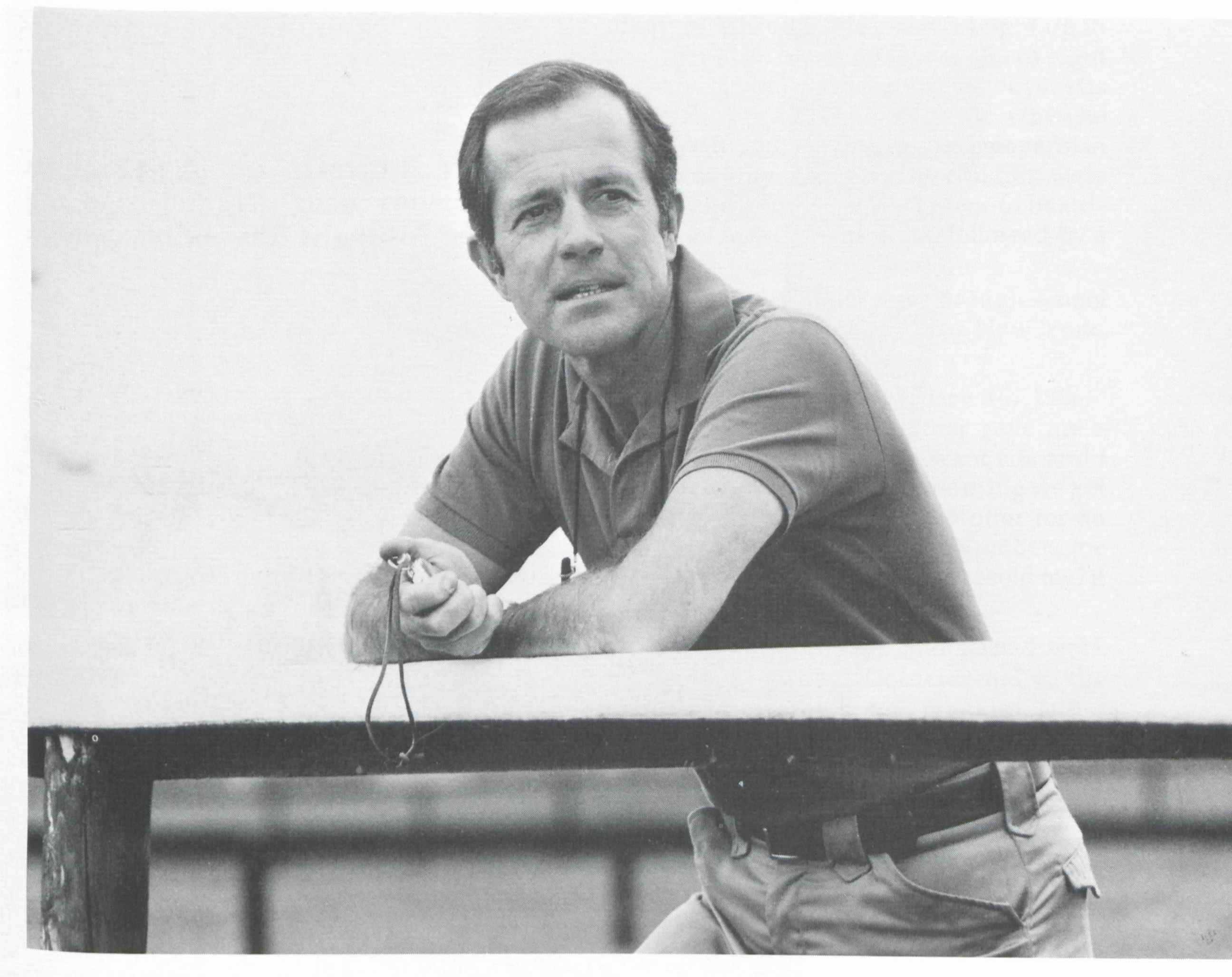
Robert Levi is part owner of recently retired Practitioner (top) and *Dominion, winner of Saratoga's Bernard Baruch in his last outing.

Because Mr. Levi wanted a product of proven quality, Cot Campbell (right) varied his usual practice of syndicating young, untried horses.

Says the one-time Johns Hopkins lacrosse star (he was two straight years an honorable mention for all-American): "Until I went in with Cot I had been to the races only once in the last 25 years. That was for a Preakness program at Pimlico. I had a miserable time. Too many people. I made myself a promise—'never again.'

"Since buying in on * Dominion and Practitioner, I've gone to the races twice. I saw both of them run on different days. * Dominion was out of the money. Practitioner won."

Mr. Levi is the son of a Baltimore clothing manufacturer (the late Abraham H. Levi)



and is married (since 1939) to Ryda Hecht whose family founded and owned the Hecht department stores.

Upon graduating from Johns Hopkins ("Those were the depression years and I put myself through college"), Mr. Levi went to work for a clothing manufacturer in Highlandtown "earning the magnificent sum of $13 a week."

He later went into partnership on a boys' camp in Maine (named Camp Belgrave and still functioning) where he worked closely each year with 150 youngsters. Then came the war years (he was a lieutenant senior grade in the Coast Guard) and the birth of the Levis' three children (two boys and a girl).

Mr. Levi is today a trustee of both the Johns Hopkins Hospital and the Johns Hopkins University. He also serves as a director of 10 financial institutions, retail companies and charitable organizations.

He is a member of the Baltimore City college's Hall of Fame, was in 1966 honored with Washington's Man of the Year award and also in 1966 gained the Silver Medal of Merit from the U.S. Treasury Department.

Obviously, a man of such stature can be a great boon to racing.

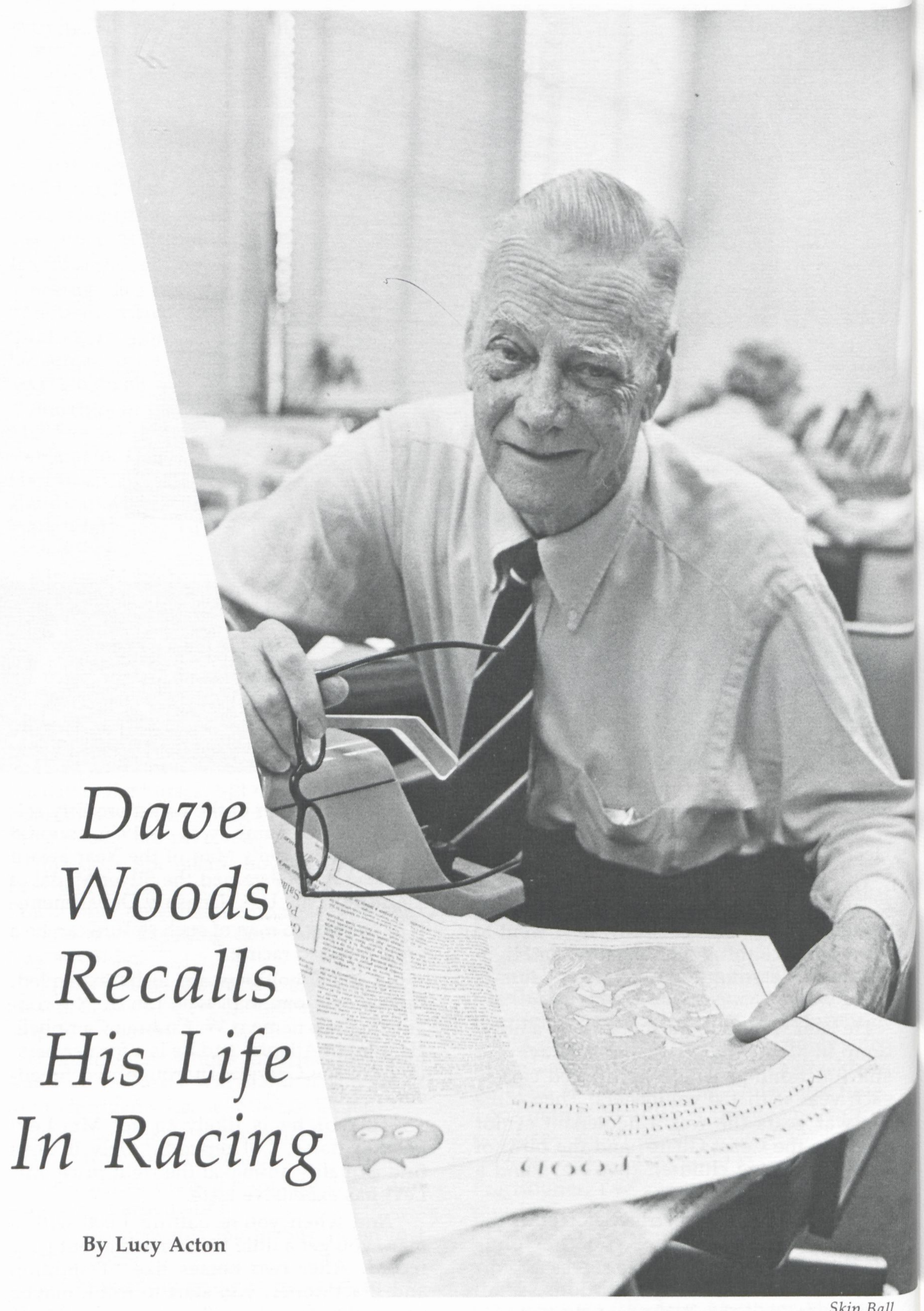
But if his holdings are to be expanded, there's only one man who can do the convincing. His name is W. Cothran Campbell. He lives in Atlanta, and he is a former president of the Georgia Thoroughbred Breeders.

Asked if he is likely to get Mr. Levi another horse, Cot replied: "Only if I can find a quality animal at the right price. Mr. Levi has expensive taste.

"And when you're batting 1,000 with a man, you get a little bit worried about your record. After two horses like * Dominion and Practitioner, you start to think maybe you're due for a bum." □

Dave Woods Recalls His Life In Racing

By Lucy Acton



Skip Ball

In the last 40 years David F. Woods has been publicity man, consultant, owner, author and friend of racing.

People come to see him when they're writing books about racing or even just hoping to win a friendly argument.

"Can you remember. . . ?" "What was the year. . . ?" "Who went where . . . with whom?"

And nine times out of ten David F. Woods does remember.

Publicity man, consultant, owner, author and friend of the sport, Dave Woods has held a number of different jobs inside and out of Maryland racing over the last 40 years. Unofficially he is also one of the game's most dedicated people-watchers.

"It has been a great life," says Mr. Woods, who is approaching his 70th birthday without any hint of slowing down. Recently back from a two-week trip to Ireland, he spends his spare time these days working on a biography of his friend, the late Ogden Nash.

When the mandatory retirement age catches up with him next winter, Mr. Woods will leave *The Evening Sun,* where he has edited that newspaper's "Direct Line" column for the past eight years, to work full time on his book and the development of the poet's archives.

Racing remains a steady undercurrent through everything Mr. Woods does although the connection isn't always obvious at first glance. At the newspaper it's in the form of a partnership he and several cronies have formed to own and race horses. His Nash work puts him in regular communication with Mr. Nash's daughter Linell Smith, a longtime Maryland owner and breeder. And of course he visits the races and keeps up old associations.

One of the old associates happens to be Alfred G. Vanderbilt, who is actually the key to David Woods' race track past.

Born in St. Louis, Mo., and brought up in New York city, Mr. Woods was one of eight children and the youngest of five boys. His mother died in a 1919 flu epidemic, when he was 10 years old, leaving his newspaperman father a mighty struggle. The children were split up and young Dave was sent to boarding school in New York state, followed by a Jesuit high school in Wisconsin.

After two and a half years of high school his father called him home to New York, insisting he get a job.

"That was Sunday, February 16, 1926," recalls Mr. Woods. "My father gave me a copy of the *New York Times* want ads and I wrote eight letters. The next morning we got the *Times* and there was a job offer for an office boy in a shipping firm at Number One Broadway. The location was what sold me; it was a place I knew I could find.

"Anyway I got the job and started work almost immediately. Coincidentally, the firm was headed by P.A.S. Franklin, father of the late General John M. Franklin, who was on the board of Laurel and whose wife was a co-owner of Twixt.

"By 1931 I had become a passenger agent selling tickets to people going to Europe. I made one trip to Europe myself, in 1930, and two trips to the West Indies, as an assistant cruise director.

"Imagine how lucky I was—just a kid from nowhere."

In 1931 the shipping company opened a passenger service from Baltimore called the Baltimore Mail Line. Mr. Woods was sent here to handle passenger bookings. Five ships, with eighty passengers on each, sailed from Baltimore every week, and Mr. Woods came in contact with a number of prominent people. In off-seasons he traveled to the South and Midwest, visiting travel agents and making the line known.

When he married Mona, his wife of 46 years, the company give them a European honeymoon.

But soon after that the Depression called a halt even to wealthy persons' traveling, and by 1934 Mr. Woods was looking for a job.

"I had always wanted to get on a newspaper," he says. "But my father forbade all

his sons to do newspaper work. He said there was no money in it. The Association of Commerce announced it was opening a bureau to encourage tourism and conventions in Baltimore about this time, and they invited proposals. I worked for months on a proposal, and I got the job heading the bureau.

"One of the things I proposed was a Preakness Ball, even though I had never even been to the races. The old Maryland Jockey Club hated promotions, although of course I didn't know that. I was fortunate because that was the year Alfred Vanderbilt bought into Pimlico and he thought it was a good idea.

"We promoted our first Preakness Ball in 1936. Mrs. Wallace Lanahan, who is now Mrs. Clarence Miles, was the first queen; every county had a princess, mostly society girls. We held it in the Fifth Regiment Armory, with Guy Lombardo and Tommy Dorsey providing music and we gave away a horse as a door prize. A florist even developed a special Preakness rose.

"That's how I first met Alfred Vanderbilt, and the day after the Preakness he called and asked me to come to Pimlico. 'We don't have anybody handling public relations there,' he told me. I took the job right off and they also put me on the board."

Mr. Woods' first big promotion at Pimlico was the 1938 match race between War Admiral and Seabiscuit. He throws in some extra information about that day. It was also Grantland Rice's birthday. Why does he remember? "Oh, I don't know, Grantland Rice wrote such fine pieces about racing and I just remember him telling me back then that it was his birthday."

Other memories from that period include Mr. Vanderbilt's decision to run daily stakes races at Pimlico. Mr. Vanderbilt believed racing should be more exposed to the public, according to Mr. Woods, and in 1939 the track put on a stakes every day. "This was still the Depression," Mr. Woods notes. "And we had to average $400,000 a day to justify them, even though some of the races were relatively small. We had everyone rooting for us, and by the end we averaged $419,000."

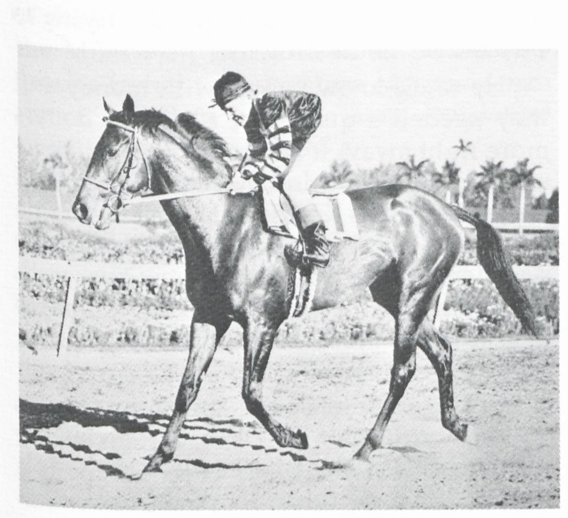
Mr. Vanderbilt became president of Belmont Park in 1940 and took Mr. Woods along as director of public relations there, also.

"Then the war came along," Mr. Woods continues. "And Vanderbilt went into the Navy in 1942 as a PT boat skipper. I stayed at Belmont and went to Hialeah in the winter. One season I went to the Fairgrounds in New Orleans, and I was also public relations man for the newly-formed Thoroughbred Racing Association. We needed a show of strength during the war to prove that we were an important industry; we had 52 member tracks."

The next year Mr. Woods went into the service himself. Which branch? "Wait until you hear the story," says Mr. Woods.



"I've always been horse shy. Actually afraid of horses. But when they looked up my civilian record and found out I'd spent all that time at race tracks they sent me off to Fort Riley, Kansas (the big Army cavalry headquarters). I was 34 years old; too old for combat. We went through basic training and I was assigned to SP (like KP only in the stables). I was assigned to the officers' sta-









Alfred Vanderbilt (left) hired Dave Woods to handle public relations at Pimlico (above, the old Club House) in 1936. Among his first promotions was the match race between War Admiral (top left) and Seabiscuit (right), winner of the 1938 event. Woods is now working on a biography of his friend, the late poet Ogden Nash (top right).

ble, where the wealthy men kept their own horses and sometimes played polo, and I had never been in a stall alone with a horse in my life.

"There I ran into Jerry Vahey, who had rubbed horses for Mr. (Sunny Jim) Fitzsimmons before the war and he said 'What are you doing here?'

"I said: 'I'm on KP and I don't even know how to muck out a stall.' I think I rode twice while I was there; they knew I didn't know anything about horses. But I saw a lot of people I knew and that made the war pleasurable. I never did get out of Fort Riley, although I kept trying. I had connections with Steve Early (President Roosevelt's press secretary) and he tried three times to get me on 'Yank' magazine. But each time the Fort Riley commanding general blocked my leaving. I was writing speeches for him by this time."

After the war Mr. Woods went back to Pimlico, and also did public relations for Delaware Park for a few years. But Mr. Vanderbilt was no longer president of Pimlico (Harry Parr, III, took over during the war) and the whole character of racing had changed.

"Tracks began to prosper, but it wasn't a gentleman's sport any more," Mr. Woods comments. "Industry was booming, workers were on swing shifts, everyone was tense, and people started coming to the tracks on weekdays as an outlet."

Mr. Vanderbilt lost interest in running Pimlico because he "couldn't cope with Maryland politics (and its influence on racing)," says Mr. Woods. In 1952, controlling interest in Pimlico was sold to the Cohen family, which brought in a completely new set of employees. Mr. Woods (then secretary of the corporation) was the last of the old guard to leave Pimlico. He went into partnership in a Baltimore advertising firm—Kaufman, Strouse and Woods.

American Totalisator, one of his accounts, had sent him to Las Vegas in 1954, where a new race track was opening, when he got a call from Baltimore attorney Clarence Miles. Mr. Miles was in New York city with Baltimore Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro trying to buy the St. Louis Browns.

"He said I knew people with money and they needed a quarter of a million dollars more right away. It had to be from one person since they didn't have much time. I suggested James Keelty and we all met at the Belvedere Hotel in Baltimore for lunch the next day. Miles went back to New York with enough to buy the Browns and bring them to Baltimore as the Orioles," Mr. Woods recalls.

Mr. Miles became president of the Orioles and Mr. Woods served as assistant to the president for two years. Then he spent a year as executive director of the Greater Baltimore Committee, while Mr. Miles served as president of that group.

By 1957 Mr. Woods was back in the advertising business and over the next several years he was doing a lot of free lance writing, including *The Fireside Book of Horse Racing* (Simon and Schuster, 1964), an anthology of articles about racing. But Mr. Woods was also drinking heavily during this period. One day in 1965, he suddenly woke up very sick.

"I had tried to stop drinking on my own, which is crazy," he explains. "And I was having convulsions. My doctor put it to me very simply: he told me if I ever had another drink I would die."

With his own resolve and the help of Alcoholics Anonymous, Mr. Woods just celebrated his 13th anniversary as a nondrinker.

His story picks up in 1967, when Governor Spiro Agnew appointed the Maryland Gambling Study Commission to study all phases of gambling in Maryland. Mr. Miles was its chairman; Mr. Woods a paid fulltime member.

Over the next two and a half years they put together the much talked about Miles Plan, a proposal that would set up a private, nonprofit corporation to control all racing in Maryland. There would be only two major tracks—Pimlico and Laurel—with 144 racing dates each.

If private ownership of race tracks were eliminated, the mutuel handle would be divided three ways instead of four: among the state, horsemen and breeders. This was one

of the key attractions of the plan. Although the Miles Plan is still used as a model by groups trying to restructure Maryland racing, it failed to pass the state legislature three times in the late '60's.

When Woods finished his work with the Gambling Commission in 1970, Phil Heisler, managing editor of *The Evening Sun*, asked Mr. Woods to come to work there. In addition to editing the "Direct Line" column (a reader service which uses the newspaper's clout to help people who are having trouble dealing with all sorts of problems), Mr. Woods was given another duty. Mr. Heisler immediately asked him to organize a group of co-workers and friends and buy a horse.

That original group of ten members, each of whom put up $300 plus monthly dues, took up the name Unstable. The membership has, of course, changed slightly over the years, and the group recently liquidated and reorganized as Unstable II, but it has been a remarkably successful venture for a bunch of people with varied, unhorsey backgrounds. Out of the six or seven horses Unstable has bought, raced and either lost or sold, two are now standing at stud—Running Story and Yawn.

Their current hope is a 2-year-old filly by Wise Exchange named Curlew's Cry. Henry Clark is training this one.

Mr. Woods will no doubt keep up his connections with Unstable after he retires next winter, although the next chapter in his life promises to be full, again as a result of horse racing and happenstance.

Back in 1939-40 he was returning home by train from Santa Anita where he had been soliciting entries for the Preakness. A waiter in the dining car placed him at a table with another man and his wife and said: "This is Ogden Nash from Baltimore."

"Of course I had read his work," says Mr. Woods. "We became friendly. Ogden Nash liked horses—he wrote six or seven verses about them—and we sometimes went to the track together. He called and asked me to go to Bowie with him just before he went into the hospital for the last time in March, 1971; he was a member of Unstable when he died."

After six years of research, which has taken him as far as California and England, Mr. Woods is beginning to write what he plans as the definitive work on Ogden Nash as a human being. He has studied the personality of the man and the way his friends saw him. In addition, he will be collecting Mr. Nash's original materials, manuscripts and some of his possessions for archives and a furnished Ogden Nash room at the Notre Dame-Loyola College Library in Baltimore.

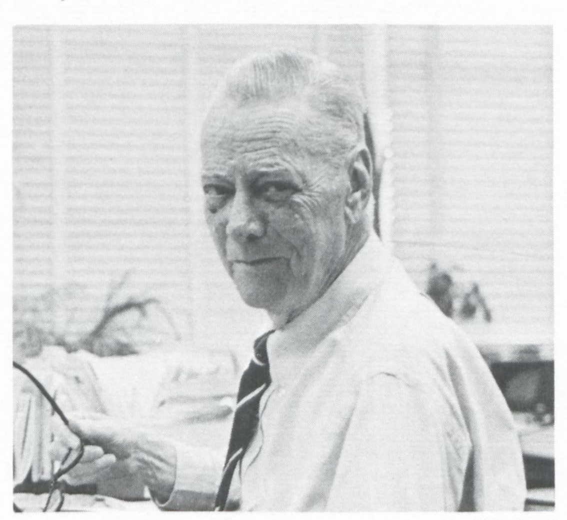
"It's something I like doing," comments Mr. Woods. "I hope it will be a contribution to the city and community."

Few people can look toward their eighth decade in a more positive state than Mr. Woods. His wife, who suffered an incapacitating stroke in 1968, has recovered almost completely within the last two years. His son, daughter and grandchildren are well: David, who works for a life insurance company in Springfield, Mass., has four children; Martha, married to a highway engineer and living near Fresno, Calif., has three children.

At home in his garden apartment in the Homeland section of Baltimore, Mr. Woods talked of the trip he and his wife just made to Ireland, for a first-hand look at the lands of his ancestors.

But just the topic of ancestors brought him back to racing. "Mona's grandaunt owned *Omar Khayyam," says the man with the steel-trap memory. "She was well known in Maryland . . ." □

Currently employed by the Evening Sun, Dave Woods is one of a group of co-workers who jointly own and race a small stable.



Skip Ball

At precisely 8:15 every morning, summer and winter, a single file of horses zigzags down Sagamore hill to the water trough. Often the horses stop at the steepest part, contemplating their surroundings while maintaining their line in perfect order. The stationary horses, alternating grays and bays, are a living facsimile of Paul Gauguin's Tahitian horses going to water.

These are the barren and foal-less mares, but the horse in the lead is an aged gelding, the greatest Maryland-bred money winner of all time. He is Find, a foal of 1950 by Discovery out of Stellar Role by Bimelech, whose earnings of $803,615 could buy him a painting by Gauguin. For the last 17 years he has lived among the mares in the upper field at Sagamore. And the man who cares for him in his final years is the same man who took care of him as a yearling, Boo Boblitz.

The mares wait patiently on the hill for Find to make the decision to continue down to water. "The women all follow him," Boo Boblits says. "If I holler for him, he'll come up over the hill with his ole lope, and all the girls will be right behind. He's 28, and that's close to a hundred years old on us, but he's still a great ole horse."

Find stands on the hill, sagacious and noble. He definitely shows his age now, his 28 years evident in the sag of his back, the running of his eyes, the prominence of his spine. But his quarters—ah, they have the massive muscles of a young horse, a champion—the delineated gaskin, the firm and rounded rump. This powerhouse belies his aging body.

"Mr. Vanderbilt comes down here and whenever he does, he goes up to look at Find," relates Boo. "The last time he was here, the horse—I call him Old Pop—had fallen off from the time before. 'He's thinner,' Mr. Vanderbilt said, 'but look at those quarters.' "

The Sagamore crop of 1950 was one that imprinted racing history, not only in Maryland but in the country. From one barn in that year emerged Native Dancer, and Crash Dive, Social Outcast and Find. There has been little to compare to this single crop save in the heyday of Calumet.

Native Dancer and Crash Dive went on to stud as we all know. Find and Social Outcast, both geldings, were turned out together with the barren mares. And in 1969, Social Outcast became too lame to walk and was put to sleep.

Twenty-five yearlings were in that crop . . . and Boo Boblits took care of them. It was his first year at Sagamore.

"We only had room for 24 yearlings in the yearling barn, and we kept one filly, Femme Fatale, over in the training barn. Out of all the 25, only Old Pop is still alive."

Find, in his career, raced longer than any of them, being stakes-placed as an 11-year-old. Find also earned more money than any of the others, including Native Dancer. And now his final glory—"He has outlived them all."

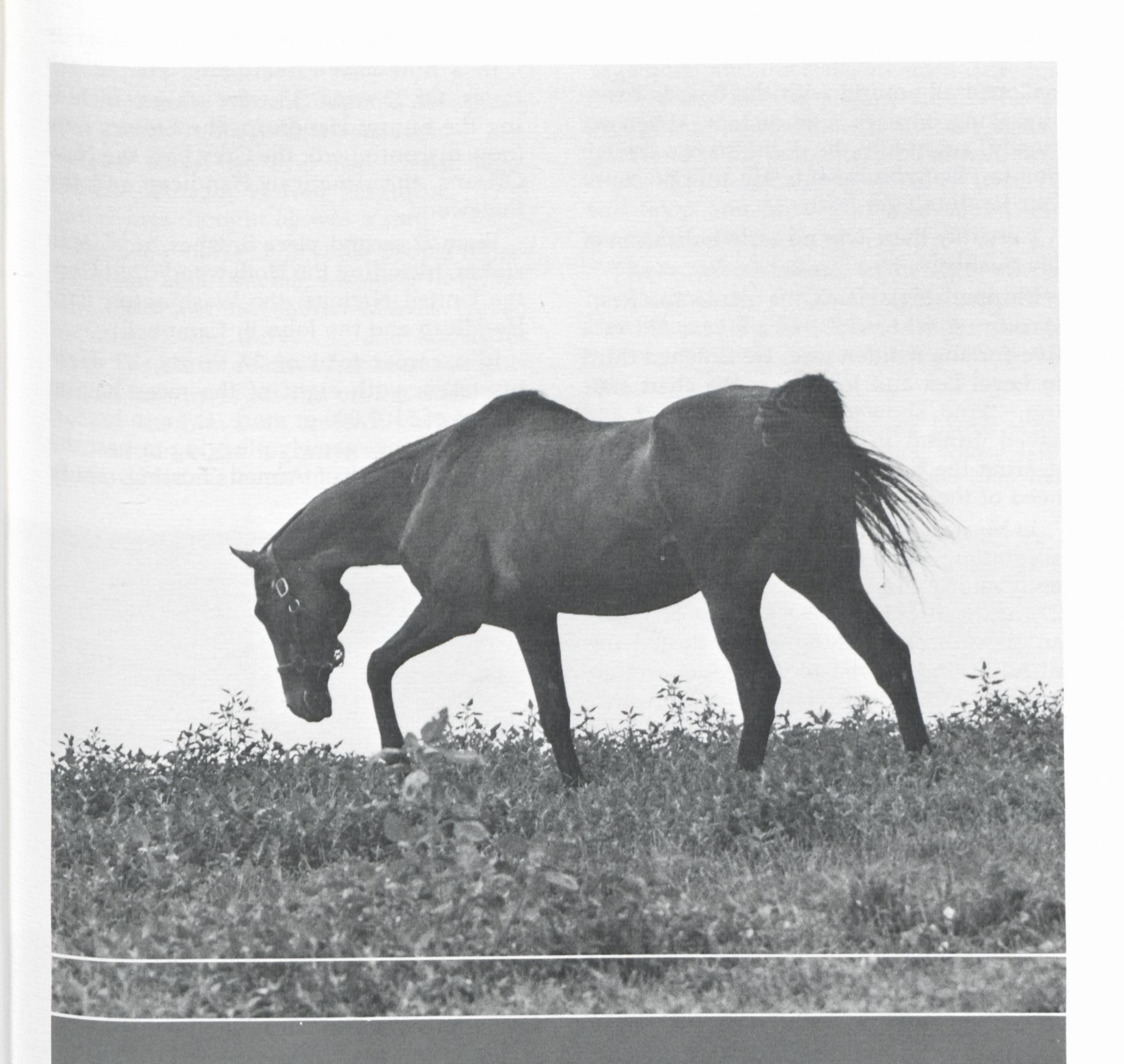
Geez, what a horse he was.

Boo Boblits remembers the early days. "You just couldn't tell he was going to be a runner. When you'd holler for the yearlings, they'd all gallop across the field and Native Dancer and Find were always last. They'd just lope across, easy and relaxed.

"I remember Find wasn't as healthy as he could have been. He had something wrong with his back. Sometimes we'd come into his stall and he would be lying down and we would have to help him up. But the vets worked on him and whatever was wrong, well, they fixed it."

Find then left the hands of Boblits and went into training. J. C. Mergler, who was assistant to trainer Bill Winfrey (and later trainer in residence at Sagamore until his own retirement), recalls the horse's early days at the track. "Find never started as a 2-year-old," Mergler recalls. "He had some problems and in the fall he had his ankles fired and he was castrated. Dr. Wright came down and did it. Then he was shipped to California."

Even though he had been gelded, Find was still a handful. And with Native Dancer in the barn, Find's talents were overshadowed. He wasn't considered a real runner—especially after a certain barn incident. Mergler recalls, "One time Find reared up on a cross tie and pulled the boards out of the wall on each side. He



At 28, Find Is King Of The Hill At Sagamore

Story by Missy Warfield
Photographs by Skip Ball

galloped all around with the boards banging along on each side of him. When we finally caught him, he didn't have a scratch on him. Everybody said, 'He ain't no count 'cuz he didn't get hurt.' "

Certainly there was no early indication of his quality.

Shipped to Jamaica, he made his first start on April 6, 1953, as a 3-year-old in a five-furlong maiden race. He finished third to Level Lea and Joe Jones, the chart stating, "Find showed fine early speed and saved ground in the stretch, but faltered nearing the finish and might have been in need of the race."

In his next start, Find was the winner of a six-furlong maiden 3-year-old race, "apparently much the best. . . ." Then on April 27, again at Jamaica, he ran out of gas in an allowance, finishing sixth. Rested until July, Find moved to Aqueduct and acquitted himself efficiently in allowance company, winning at six furlongs and placing twice. He continued racing at that distance, taking allowances at Saratoga and Aqueduct. Tried at a distance on September 7 at Aqueduct, Find won "as if much the best" at a mile and a sixteenth. A similar victory on September 15 was followed by a third on the 29th.

October was the turning point. A phone call came from Thistledown to trainer Bill Winfrey. "Need an entry for the Ohio Derby," said the racing secretary to his friend. "Can you send me something?"

"Sure," said Winfrey.

The horse he sent was Find.

The track record set that day in the 19th running of the Ohio Derby belonged to Find for 25 years. Blistering a mile and an eighth in 1:48, Find defeated Buck 'N Gee, Dictar, and Precious Stone. (Although equalled in 1962 by Gushing Wind, the record stood until this year's Ohio Derby when Special Honor knocked off a fifth of a second.)

With the Ohio Derby win, Find became a horse to be reckoned with . . . and this he remained for his entire career. A look at his racing record brings an exclamation from the toughest horseman.

"Geez, what a horse he was . . ."

In a nine-year career, Find started 110 times. Of 22 wins, 13 were stakes, including the Sunset Handicap, the Empire City (now discontinued), the Grey Lag, the New Orleans, the American Handicap and the Inglewood.

From 27 second-place finishes, 16 were in stakes, including the Hollywood Gold Cup, the United Nations, the Washington Park Handicap and the John B. Campbell.

In a career total of 27 thirds, 22 came in stakes, with eight of the races having purses of $100,000 or more. Even in his last year of racing, gamely plugging to best the earnings record of Armed, hurting, ready



to retire, he was second and third in stakes. Honest and proud to the end.

And then he launched upon a new life, a new career in the field at Sagamore.

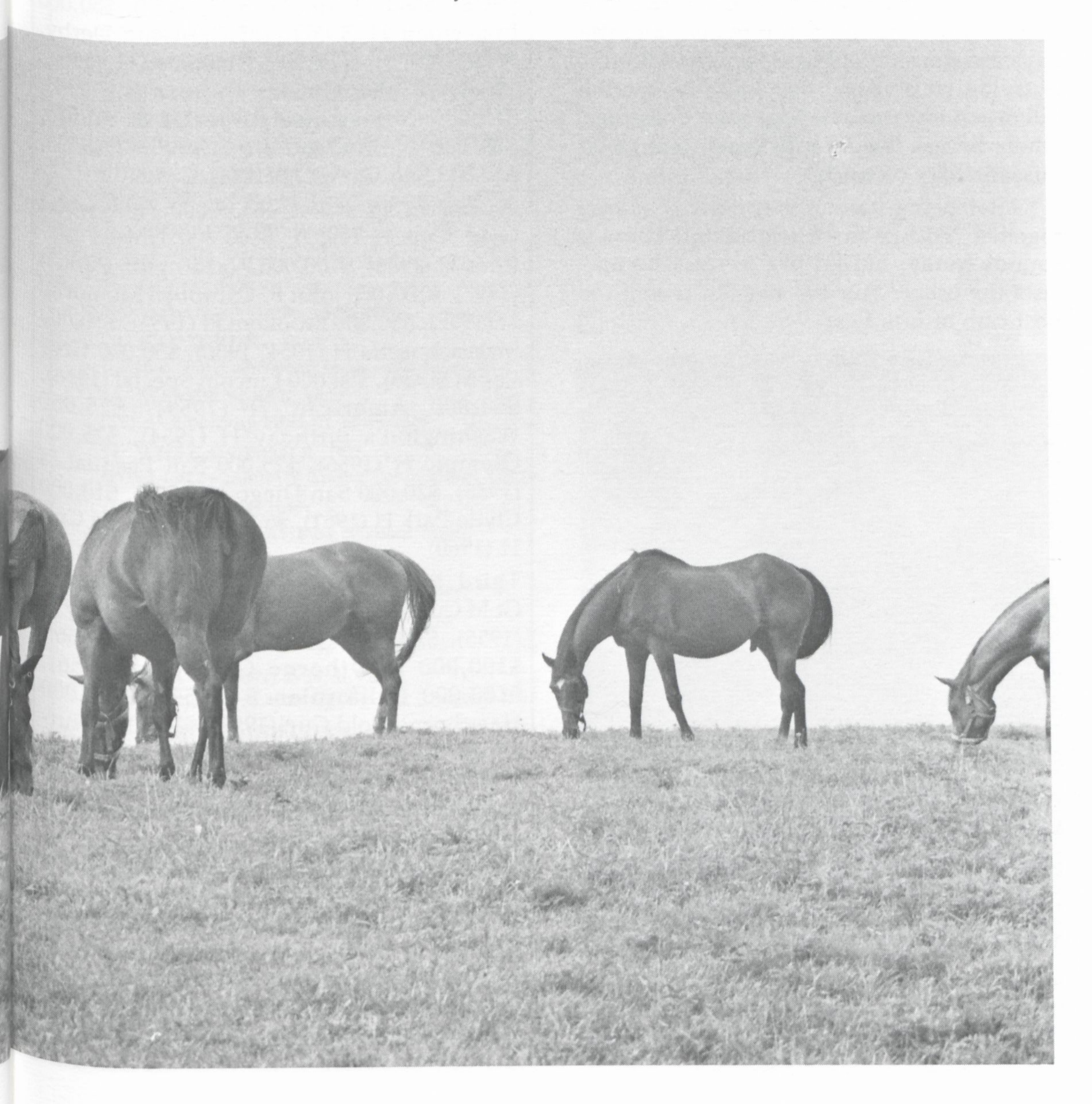
"Best teaser we ever had," said Sagamore's manager Harold Ferguson. "Find has always thought he was a stud."

For some horses and some people retirement can be anathema, resulting in miserable and sometimes shortened lives. Not so for others, who thrive . . . and not so for Find. His life as a retiree has been as vigorous in its way as his life on the track. Boo Boblits has him back under his wing now and recounts the regimen which has not deviated for the horse in the last 17 years.

There is a run-in shed in the hill field at Sagamore, and the stalls are used daily just for feeding. Find is always the first to be brought in, and he dictates that his special girlfriend of the moment come in with him. If she is not, according to Boo, "Old Pop will hoop and holler and tear round and round his stall."

These attachments to certain mares have dominated Find's thoughts and activities. One of his first loves was the stakes-

Undisputed boss of Sagamore's barren mares is the 28-year-old gelding Find, whose earnings of $803,615 top the Maryland-bred list.

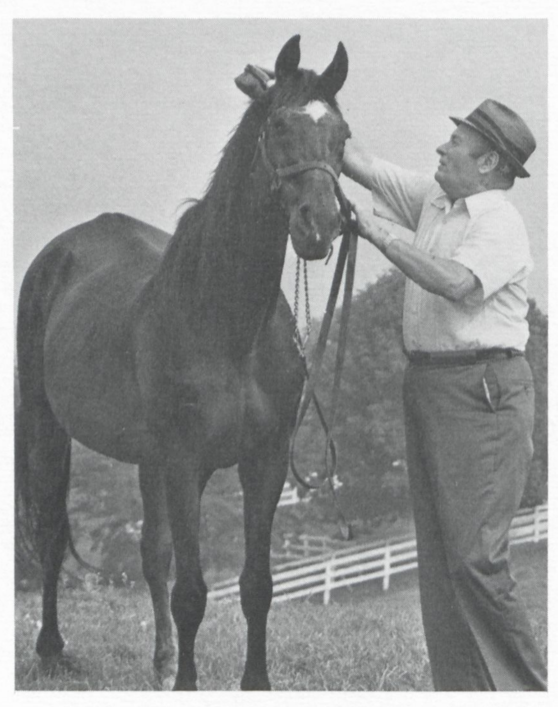


winning mare Good Move. A window had to be cut between their stalls so that they could talk to each other. In his later years, his tastes changed a bit, and he became attached to a retired pony belonging to a friend of Mr. Vanderbilt's.

"We had to take the pony out of the field because she was nasty and would kick at the mares when they were in the catch pen," said Boo. "I put her in the field across the road and for days Find would stand in the corner of his field and nicker to the pony in the corner of her field. Then he got tired of that and got a new girl."

Life has been good, and better—far better—for Find than for many. But the days are running out now, and Boo Boblits is trying to prepare. Boo looks across the hill down towards the Sagamore dormitory where he has lived for 28 years, and never missed a day of work.

"After being here at Sagamore that long together, I'd like to be with him. I know it sounds funny, but I'd like to see who outlasts the other. You can bet I'm taking the best care of him I can." □



Boo Boblits takes care of "Old Pop" as he did the first year he worked at Sagamore, when Find was a yearling. Native Dancer was in that crop along with Social Outcast and Crash Dive.

FIND

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1953	14	9	2	2	$125,379
1954	18	3	3	2	92,350
1956	22	3	8	8	204,075
1957	12	4	1	6	234,550
1958	5	0	2	0	27,660
1959	17	1	6	3	85,862
1960	15	2	3	4	25,775
1961	7	0	2	2	7,964
	110	22	27	27	$803,615

Won 13 stakes—$100,000 Sunset H (1957), $50,000 Empire City H (1953), $50,000 Grey Lag H (1953), $50,000 New Orleans H (1956), $50,000 American H (1957), $50,000 Inglewood H (1957), $25,000 Ohio Derby, NTR, (1953), $25,000 Excelsior H (1954, 1956), $25,000 Queens County H (1954), $25,000 Narragansett Special H (1956), $25,000 Hollywood Premiere H (1957), $20,000 San Carlos H (1954).

Second in 16 stakes—$139,000 Hollywood Gold Cup H (1959), $100,000 United Nations H (1956), $100,000 Washington Park H (1957), $100,000 John B. Campbell Memorial H (1958), $50,000 Brooklyn H (1954), $50,000 Massachusetts H (1954, 1956), $50,000 Grey Lag H (1956), $50,000 Lincoln Special (1956), $50,000 American H (1959), $25,000 Washington's Birthday H (1954), $25,000 Olympic H (1956), $25,000 San Pasqual H (1958), $20,000 San Diego H (1959), $10,000 Clyde Park H (1961), $6,500 Governor's Cup H (1960).

Third in 22 stakes—$133,500 Hollywood Gold Cup H (1957), $100,000 Atlantic City H (1956), $100,000 Gulfstream Park H (1956), $100,000 Hawthorne Gold Cup (1956), $100,000 Californian S (1957), $100,000 Hawthorne Gold Cup (1957), $100,000 United Nations H (1957), $100,000 Sunset H (1959), $75,000 Trenton H (1956), $50,000 Brooklyn H (1956), $50,000 Metropolitan H (1956), $50,000 Pimlico Special (1956), $50,000 Saratoga H (1956), $50,000 Argonaut H (1957), $50,000 Canadian Championship S (1957), $30,000 Del Mar H (1959), $25,000 Jamaica H (1954), $25,000 Longacres Mile (1960), $25,000 Sussex Turf H (1961), $20,000 Pomona H (1960), $18,750 Long Island H (1959), $15,000 Cortez H (1960).

All Time Maryland-Bred Money Winners

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1. **FIND,** 1950, g. (Discovery—Stellar Role by Bimelech	110	22	27	27	$803,615
2. **YOUTH,** 1973, h. (Ack Ack—*Gazala II by Dark Star)	11	8	1	0	683,224
3. **SOCIAL OUTCAST,** 1950, g. (Shut Out—Pansy by *Sickle)	58	18	9	6	668,300
4. ***J. O. TOBIN,*** 1974, c. (Never Bend—Hill Shade by Hillary)	20	12	2	2	657,616
5. **TWIXT,** 1969, m. (Restless Native—Eveleen by Quarter Deck)	70	26	14	11	619,141
6. **POLITELY,** 1963, m. (*Amerigo—Morn Again by Sun Again)	49	21	9	5	552,972
7. **ALMA NORTH,** 1968, m. (Northern Dancer—Spaws Arrow by Swaps)	78	23	14	18	513,597
8. **GALLORETTE,** 1942, m. (*Challenger II—Gallette by *Sir Gallahad III)	72	21	20	13	445,535
9. ***IMPROVISER,*** 1972, g. (Speak John—*Minim II by Chanteur II)	46	10	10	9	444,248
10. **CHRISTOPHER R.,** 1971, h. (Loom—Rita Marie by *Cavan)	42	22	8	2	405,515
11. ***COJAK,*** 1973, h. (Cohoes—Fight On by Dark Star)	41	13	13	4	402,043
12. **KAUAI KING,** 1963, h. (Native Dancer—Sweep In by *Blenheim II)	16	9	2	1	381,397
13. **MARK'S PLACE,** 1972, h. (Stoic—Blooming Hills by Hillsdale)	48	15	10	5	371,555
14. ***WHAT A SUMMER,*** 1973, m. (What Luck—Summer Classic by Summer Tan)	26	16	4	2	370,294
15. **JOLLY JOHU,** 1971, h. (Restless Native—Avie by *Gallant Man)	73	10	13	19	366,840
16. **GALA LIL,** 1972, m. (Spring Double—Right as Rain by *Rasper II)	65	25	16	9	354,368
17. **RESOUND,** 1972, h. (Gun Shot—Sound Sweep by Besomer)	73	15	16	10	350,442
18. **CHALLEDON,** 1936, h. (*Challenger II—Laura Gal by *Sir Gallahad III)	44	20	7	6	334,600
19. **NORTH FLIGHT,** 1966, h. (Misty Flight—North Page by Bold Salute)	60	14	9	15	332,313
20. **CAESAR'S WISH,** 1975, f. (Proudest Roman—Primper by Art Market)	16	11	2	0	314,507
21. **TALC,** 1972, h. (Rock Talk—Heat Rash by Rash Prince)	54	17	15	8	309,861
22. **BEE BEE BEE,** 1969, h. (Better Bee—Paula by *Nizami II)	31	11	8	2	281,098
23. **SAILINGON,** 1971, m. (Sail On-Sail On—Towson Town Gal by Cornwall)	73	19	7	12	266,915

Italicized names indicate horse is still in training. Earnings complete through August 21.



What's New in Maryland

Caesar's Wish Dies

Sally M. Gibson's remarkable 3-year-old filly Caesar's Wish dropped dead from a heart attack during the running of the $100,000 Alabama Stakes at Saratoga last month. Performing as 4-to-5 favorite in the mile and a quarter race, Caesar's Wish was on the lead when she suddenly showed signs of distress. Her rider, Marylander Danny Wright, attempted to pull her up, but she collapsed before he could get her to a walk.

Bred by Nathan L. Cohen and his father, Herman, Caesar's Wish had won nine stakes. Her earnings stood at $314,507. She was regarded as a strong contender for the 1978 Eclipse award as the nation's champion 3-year-old filly.

During her two seasons of competition, Caesar's Wish made 16 starts and was 11 times a winner. She was by Proudest Roman out of Primper by Art Market.

Foaled at Douglas R. Small's Strathmore Stud in Monkton, the filly was sold by her breeder, Mr. Cohen, in a 13-horse package to Mr. Small as a yearling. Small consigned her to the 1976 Eastern Fall Sale but bought her in when bidding stopped at $7,500.

Small later sold her in a private transaction to Mrs. Gibson.

Winning $158,000 as a 2-year-old, Caesar's Wish was honored as champion Maryland-bred 2-year-old of 1977. Nationally, she was ranked second to Lakeville Miss.

This season at 3, Caesar's Wish won four stakes, including the $75,000 Mother Goose (Belmont) and the $75,000 Black-Eyed Susan (Pimlico).

Throughout her entire career she was trained by Richard W. Small, son of Douglas R. Small.

The filly's death marked the second tragic loss for Mrs. Gibson during the past year.

Her topclass 8-year-old gelding Festive Mood, winner of $561,311, was destroyed in November after breaking a leg while in his stall at Strathmore Stud.

Eight Straight Winners

Marlboro attorney Hal C. B. Clagett compiled one of the longest winning streaks ever seen in Maryland when his small stable accounted for eight consecutive victories at Pimlico and Timonium this summer.

The streak began at Pimlico on July 20 and ended on August 7.

During that period five of the Clagett colorbearers went to the post. All won at least one race, three won two. Not once was a Clagett horse defeated.

Ace-O-Cratic, a 3-year-old gelding, started the streak by winning over $3,000 claimers at Pimlico. Win No. 2 occurred five days later at Timonium when the same horse won for $3,200.

Then followed victories by four 2-year-olds, two of them first-time starters. Royal Re Re was to win two, Power of Praise won two and single victories were achieved by One Ambition and Indigo North.

Ending the string of consecutive victories was Ace-O-Cratic who sought his third straight tally on August 7. He ran so poorly

in that race that he was eased by his rider, Frank Manco.

But still Clagett's luck held, Ace-O-Cratic being claimed from the race for $3,200.

Showing the next day that his stable hadn't lost its touch despite termination of the win streak, Clagett started perhaps a new streak when Indigo North, a gelding, won narrowly for his second score of the meeting.

Gala Harry to Stud

The good Maryland-bred Gala Harry has been sold by Mrs. Gertrude Leviton to three Maryland breeders for 1979 stud duty at Mr. and Mrs. James F. Lewis's Pennyacres Farm.

Gala Harry won three stakes and earned $172,518.

The 5-year-old horse is a half-brother to the highly successful Maryland stallion Rollicking and was sired by Silent Screen who ranked seventh on the national sire list as of June 26.

The purchasers of Gala Harry, in addition to Lewis, are Hal C. B. Clagett and R. Richards Rolapp.

Gala Harry was bred by Mrs. Robert A. Leonard at Glade Valley Farms and was sold as an unraced 2-year-old to Mrs. Leviton privately for a price reported to be $45,000.

The horse, who was trained throughout his career by Bernard P. Bond, was knocked into the fence in his second start as a 2-year-old, sustaining a fracture of the cannon bone. He was operated on at the New Bolton Center and given nearly a year's rest.

As a 3-year-old he won six races and then climaxed his career with three consecutive stakes victories this past December and January. In addition to winning the $40,000 Walter Haight Handicap and two $25,000 stakes, Gala Harry finished third in the $100,000 Campbell Handicap, losing by a head and a neck in a three-horse photo.

Honey Bees Kill Horse

A swarm of honey bees killed a 10-year-old Standardbred in late July at a Talbot county farm near Longwoods, Md.

The horse, valued at $15,000, was standing in a paddock on the farm of Phil Schlotzhauer when attacked.

Dr. Hugh Binks, chief veterinarian for the state of Maryland, describes the incident as "flukey" and "to the best of my knowledge unprecedented in this state."

"We imagine," said Dr. Binks, "that the bees were swarming and happened to land on the horse who was probably sweaty. In all likelihood the queen bee was in the swarm."

"Normally, honey bees do not attack unless they themselves are attacked. When the horse attempted to knock them off, they thought they were being attacked. We suspect that the horse—like some people—was probably allergic to bee stings."

"We sent two men (representing Maryland's Department of Agriculture) to investigate the incident. One was an entymologist, the other from the Department of Pesticide Regulations. The bees were definitely identified as honey bees after being collected and brought back for laboratory examination."

The bee attack was witnessed by Mr. Schlotzhauer and his wife, Dianne.

They immediately called a veterinarian, Dr. Terry Corkran, who worked four hours on the dying horse. Dr. Corkran said he performed a tracheotomy on the horse to help him breathe but that the operation worked for "only about 30 minutes."

Whiteley, Aitcheson Honored

Marylanders Frank Y. Whiteley, Jr., and Joseph L. Aitcheson, Jr., were inducted into racing's Hall of Fame last month at Saratoga.

Mr. Whiteley, a trainer for more than 30 years, was born and raised on Maryland's Eastern Shore. He began his training career at the Maryland half-mile tracks and later developed 28 stakes winners, including Damascus and Ruffian. He has also trained Forego since the retirement of Sherrill Ward three years ago.

Mr. Aitcheson, a native of Laurel (Md.), has been one of the nation's leading steeplechase riders for the past 20 years. He has won more than 450 steeplechase races and was America's leading jump rider seven years, four of them consecutively.

Northern Jove's Stakes Winner

Helmore Farm's syndicated stallion Northern Jove was represented by his first stakes winner from his first crop to race when North Course captured a division of the $25,000 Lamplighter Handicap at Monmouth Park on July 1.

North Course, a 3-year-old gelding, was bred by his owner, Edgar M. Lucas, who is also the owner of Helmore Farm.

Northern Jove is a 10-year-old son of Northern Dancer out of the Sun Again mare Junonia. He earned $122,588, winning the Flintstone Stakes and placing in four other stakes.

Bred in Canada by Peter Fuller, Northern Jove was sold privately to Mr. Lucas as a 5-year-old. Retired the following season to Mr. Lucas's Howard county farm, Northern Jove has proved highly successful with his first crop to race.

In winning the mile and a sixteenth Lamplighter, North Course prevailed by a neck over Horatius. John Henry finished a close third in the turf race, being only a neck behind the runner-up.

North Course is trained by Charles P. Sanborn.

Northern Dancer Tops Sale

A yearling colt by Maryland sire Northern Dancer topped the Keeneland Summer Sales when purchased by British Bloodstock Agency (London) for $1.3 million. Only once has a yearling sold for more money at public auction.

The Northern Dancer colt is out of the *Forli mare Special who was unplaced in her only start. The mare has only two foals of racing age and both were winners abroad.

Consigned by Claiborne Farm, the unnamed Northern Dancer colt is now the second most expensive yearling ever to be sold at public auction. The record belongs to a Secretariat—Charming Alibi colt who brought $1.5 million in 1976 at Keeneland. That colt is named Canadian Bound and is still a maiden.

Timonium Elects F. G. Miller

F. Grove Miller has been elected president of the Maryland State Fair and Agricultural Society, succeeding John D. Worthington III who died in July following a cerebral hemorrhage.

Mr. Miller, formerly Timonium's vice president in charge of agricultural affairs, operates a dairy farm in North East (Md.) and is also in the insurance business. He is also president of the Maryland Farm Bureau and is a former master of the local division of The Grange.

He will fill the unexpired portion of Mr. Worthington's one-year term which expires on January 8.

Dead Ahead Put Down

Dead Ahead, one of Maryland's most popular old stallions, was put down last month because of arthritis and a general decline in health. A foal of 1959, Dead Ahead had stood in Maryland as the property of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Mobberley since 1972.

Sire of 11 stakes winners, Dead Ahead was by *Turn-to out of Siama by Tiger. By the end of this year it is likely that his offspring will have earned more than $3 million.

The stallion was a half-brother to Bald Eagle ($676,442) and One-Eyed King ($266,281). Himself a stakes winner of $73,645, Dead Ahead stood for a live foal fee of $1,500 at the Mobberleys' Summer Hill Farm.

Dead Ahead's stakes winners include Mt. Airy Queen, Deadly Dream, Luck Ahead, All Ahead, Big Dan, Ahead Tiger, Fleet Ahead, Glengary, Future Decision, Thantos and Dead Honest.

The highpoint of Dead Ahead's career as a stallion was reached in the fall of 1975 when the Bowie Kindergarten was split into two divisions. Daughters of Dead Ahead won both divisions of the six-furlong race for 2-year-old Maryland-bred fillies, Mt. Airy Queen taking the first and Future Decision the second.

Mr. and Mrs. Mobberley purchased Dead Ahead from the estate of Capt. Harry Guggenheim on a sealed bid in 1971. From 1965 through 1971, Dead Ahead stood at Spendthrift Farm in Kentucky.

Obituaries

John M. Curley, Jr.

The widely-heralded appointment of John M. Curley, Jr., to the Maryland Racing Commission proved to be of tragically short duration when the 44-year-old steel firm executive died last month at his home in Baltimore.

Named to the commission by acting governor Lee in June, Mr. Curley immediately went to work on plans which he thought would prove advantageous to the state's racing industry.

But his rapidly worsening health prevented him from attending the one and only commission meeting held following his appointment.

Mr. Curley had retired last year as chairman, president and chief executive officer of the Eastmet steel corporation. He explained at that time that he had recently undergone surgery and that his health was precarious. Also last year he divested himself of the stallions which he had assembled at his Rolling Mill Farm near Shawan.

But despite his worsening health, Mr. Curley remained an active member of the Maryland Horse Breeders Association. He attended meetings of the sales committee last month and appeared always to be in a genuinely cheerful state of mind.



John M. Curley, Jr.

Mr. Curley had inherited from his father control of Eastern Stainless Steel and went to work for that company soon after graduating from high school.

He was 15 when he purchased his first race horse.

Although born and raised in Massachusetts, Mr. Curley had lived in Maryland for the past 15 years. He is survived, in addition to his wife, Jane, by four children: John, 23, Bob, 20; Jane, 17, and Janet, 15.

Miles Valentine

Miles Valentine, one of the nation's most prominent steeplechase owners, died last month at age 71 following a heart attack. Mr. Valentine was a senior member of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association and a director of the C. Mahlon Kline Clinic at the New Bolton Center. His Knockmuira Farm is located in Unionville, Pa. In 1969 Mr. Valentine won the Grand National with High Patches and in 1973 his *Lucky Boy III captured the Colonial Cup.

James T. Feltner, Jr.

James T. Feltner, Jr., a steward at Shenandoah Downs and Charles Town since 1959, died in July at the Winchester Memorial Hospital in Winchester (Va.). He was 60.

Mr. Feltner was a jockey at Charles Town shortly after the track opened in 1933 and later became an official at many tracks throughout the country.

Besides serving in official capacities at Charles Town and Shenandoah Downs he also held positions at Oakland Park, Delaware Park, Tropical Park, Maumee Downs, Waterford Park, Seminole Downs, Churchill Downs, Ellis Park and Jefferson Park.

Harry F. Freund

Harry F. Freund, a Thoroughbred breeder and former trainer, died in June at age 79. Mr. Freund lived in Potomac with his wife, the former Hester Ryan, to whom he had been married since 1941.

A descendant of one of Washington's oldest families, Mr. Freund once trained the racing stable owned by Billy Mitchell, a


Sterling S. Blacksten

pioneer aviator court-martialed in 1925 for too strongly advising Congress that air-power was being underrated and almost ignored by this country's military leaders.

Mr. Freund had flown under Mitchell in World War I. He later returned to Cornell where he played the tackle position on the football team. Among his other sporting accomplishments was a trail-blazing trans-continental automobile trip with Barney Oldfield.

Sterling S. Blacksten

Sterling S. Blacksten, one of Maryland's most avid foxhunters, died last month following a ten-day illness. Mr. Blacksten, 65, lived near Westminster where he hunted his private pack.

A man of enormous girth, Mr. Blacksten enjoyed telling how when he got his first pink coat, no store was able to fit him. Finally, one of his three daughters suited him in a coat of her own making.

Mr. Blacksten was self-employed as an auctioneer, real estate dealer and did such farm work as custom baling, combining and corn picking.

His hounds (officially known as Adams Mill Foxhounds but generally referred to as Buck's Pack) consisted of 14 couple of Crossbreds (July and Walker strains).

Perhaps because of his bulk, Mr. Blacksten did not seek big fences for the usually small fields which followed him. He much preferred to observe the hounds at work than to jump high obstacles.

Mr. Blacksten's love of foxhunting started when he was a youngster living on his parents' farm in Uniontown. In a 1973 interview, Buck was quoted in this magazine saying, "I used to go night hunting with Charlie Horton. I'd meet him in the woods on a moonlit night and we'd sit on the hills and listen to the hounds. We'd take coffee and a pound of cheese.

"Some people don't like to listen to hounds or watch them work, but this is what I love. When people go hunting with me, I handle the field so that everybody can see what's going on."

In addition to his wife, Mr. Blacksten is survived by three daughters and a son.

Kimberley Jean Firestone

Kimberley Jean Firestone, 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kimball C. Firestone, was killed last month when the car she was driving collided with a truck on River road near her home in Potomac, Md. Miss Firestone, who was alone in her automobile, was on her way to work. In addition to her mother and father, Miss Firestone is survived by one sister and three brothers.

Marshall B. Strickler

Marshall B. Strickler, a race track employee for many years, died last month at age 55 following a heart attack. Mr. Strickler lived in Baltimore and had worked as a jockey's agent and in the racing secretary's office. During World War II he was badly wounded in the Battle of the Bulge, losing an eye in addition to suffering other injuries.

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Maryland-Bred Stakes Winners

NORTH COURSE

gr.g., 1975

1978

$25,000 **Lamplighter Handicap** (2nd div.), 1 1/16 mi., turf, 3-year-olds. Monmouth, July 1.

Bred by Helmore Farm (Edgar M. Lucas)

Owned by Helmore Farm; trained by Charles P. Sanborn

Foaled at Helmore Farm, Woodbine, Md.

Northern Jove	Northern Dancer	Nearctic
		Natalma
	Junonia	Sun Again
		Pavonia
Irish Course	Irish Lancer	*Royal Charger
		Tige O'Myheart
	Best Course	Better Self
		Tail Wind

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1977	4	1	1	0	$ 7,016
1978 (SW)	12	3	3	2	39,414
	16	4	4	2	$46,430

(through July 31)

North Course is the first stakes winner sired by Northern Jove and is from his first crop to race. Northern Jove is, like so many other successful stallions, a son of Northern Dancer.

Edgar M. Lucas, owner of Helmore Farm, purchased Northern Jove from Peter Fuller during the horse's 5-year-old season. The horse, winner of $122,588, was syndicated by Mr. Lucas and retired the following year to his Helmore Farm in Howard county. One of his mates during that first season at stud was Mr. Lucas's Best Course, a stakes-placed winner of nearly $40,000. And from that mating came North Course, winner of the second division of Monmouth Park's $25,000 Lamplighter Handicap.

As soon as Northern Jove's first crop got to the races, it was apparent that the young stallion was destined for popularity with Maryland breeders. From 12 starters in his first crop, he sired six 2-year-old winners, placing him third (behind King's Bishop and Tentam) among Maryland's freshman sires.

North Course raced this past winter in Florida, showing consistently good form in allowance company. Trainer Charles P. Sanborn started him in only one stake in Florida, the Hutcheson at Gulfstream Park. In that race, North Course finished fourth by 12 lengths to Sensitive Prince. Shipped to Monmouth Park in May, North Course won once in three starts in allowance company, then moved up to stakes competition for the Lamplighter. Carrying 112 pounds in that mile and a sixteenth turf race, he won by a neck over Horatius in a tight four-horse finish.



WHAT A SUMMER

gr.f., 1973

1977

$35,000 **Distaff Handicap,** 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up. Aqueduct, March 23.

$40,000 **Silver Spoon Handicap,** 6½ fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up. Hollywood Park, July 9.

$75,000 **Fall Highweight Handicap,** 6 fur., 3 & up. Belmont, Aug. 29.

$50,000 **Maskette Handicap,** 1 mi., fillies and mares, 3 & up. Belmont, Sept. 13.

1978

$40,000 **Silver Spoon Handicap,** 6½ fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up. Hollywood Park, July 8.

Bred by Milton Polinger

Owned by Mrs. Bertram R. Firestone; trained by LeRoy Jolley

Foaled at Polinger Farm, Olney, Md.

What Luck	Bold Ruler	*Nasrullah
		Miss Disco
	Irish Jay	Double Jay
		Irish Witch
Summer Classic	Summer Tan	*Heliopolis
		Miss Zibby
	Classic Music	Stymie
		Jaconda

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1975	unraced				
1976 (SW)	9	7	1	0	$ 87,065
1977 (SW)	10	6	1	2	201,489
1978 (SW)	7	3	2	0	81,740
	26	16	4	2	$370,294

Hollywood Park's Silver Spoon Handicap has had only two runnings and the winner on both occasions was What A Summer, a Maryland-bred who is regularly based in New York. Last year What A Summer was honored with an Eclipse award as America's best sprinter

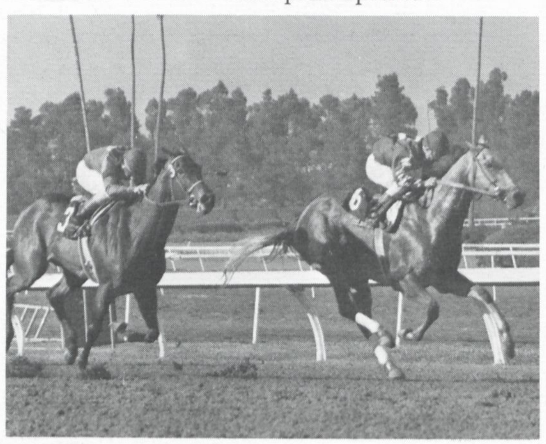
What A Summer continued

of 1977. She was also champion Maryland-bred in 1977. When winning the Silver Spoon Handicap in 1977, What A Summer was timed in 1:15. This year she ran the distance in 1:14 1/5—only one-fifth slower than the track record.

Unraced as a 2-year-old, What A Summer came to the races in 1976 in the colors of her breeder, Milton Polinger. She won seven of nine starts that year but was sold at public auction (for $275,000) the following winter due to the death of her owner. Since being acquired by Mrs. Bertram R. Firestone at that Hialeah auction, the mare has won five stakes and nearly $300,000. What A Summer is trained by LeRoy Jolley.

Summer Classic, the dam of What A Summer, was bought by Mr. Polinger in 1971 at a Kentucky auction for $5,700. She had earlier produced three named foals for Mike Ford, the best of them being Inspector Clouseau, winner of $35,075. In 1972 Mr. Polinger sent his new mare to What Luck, a Bold Ruler stallion which Polinger was standing. The result of that mating was What A Summer, one of the finest mares ever produced in Maryland.

As a result of Mr. Polinger's death, Summer Classic was sold at the 1977 Keeneland fall sales. She brought $165,000 on a bid by Peter A. Brant. The mare was at that time in foal to What Luck. Last May, she produced a full brother to the 1977 champion sprinter.



HEAVY SUGAR

dk.b. or br. f., 1976

1978

$25,000 **Toddler Stakes,** 5 1/2 fur., Maryland-bred 2-year-old fillies. Pimlico, July 1.
Bred by Constantine P. Beler
Owned by Constantine P. Beler; trained by Leon Blusiewicz
Foaled at Merry Acres, Kingsville, Md.

What Luck	Bold Ruler	*Nasrullah Miss Disco
	Irish Jay	Double Jay Irish Witch
Missile Pan	Panacean	Roman Pandora
	Honey Missile	Missile Bay B. Roll

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1978 (SW)	4	2	0	1	$24,295
					(through July 29)

C. P. (Buzz) Beler is a non-practicing lawyer who owns and operates highly successful restaurants in Baltimore and Washington. He entered the horse business in 1964, purchasing a yearling filly (Detente) from C. B. Caldwell, one of his law clients. Since then, his trainers include Laz Barrera, John Tammaro, Claude Feltner, Bernie Bond and, finally, Leon (Lou Blue) Blusiewicz — a former stevedore who knew nothing about training race horses when he hired Beler to represent him in a legal matter. With Blusiewicz running his stable, Beler has had great success.

Missile Pan, the dam of Heavy Sugar, was purchased by Blusiewicz as a yearling from the late Milton Polinger. She won three races from 32 starts but was claimed from Blusiewicz and concluded her career in January, 1975, at Lincoln Downs when unplaced in a $4,000 claimer. On Blusiewicz's recommendation, Beler purchased her as a broodmare prospect. The restaurateur immediately sent Missile Pan to Oklahoma to be bred to What Luck (who now stands in Kentucky and formerly stood in Maryland). From that mating came Heavy Sugar, winner of Pimlico's Toddler Stakes. Missile Pan is a half-sister to Move Abroad, a stakes winner of $137,957.

Heavy Sugar is the first homebred stakes winner for Mr. Beler. He normally boards his mares at Dr. G. G. Meredith's Merry Acres Farm while himself living in an apartment in the Horizon House, the same building in which his Prime Rib Restaurant is located. Heavy Sugar defeated six Maryland-bred fillies in the Toddler, driving to a half-length tally over Bold Woman. Her winning time of 1:06 was one and four-fifths seconds slower than the track record.

TINY MONK

ch.g., 1974

1977

$25,000 **Penn Treaty Stakes,** 6½ fur., 3-year-olds. Keystone, July 4.

$20,000 **Patriot Stakes** (1st div.), 7 fur., 3-year-olds. Keystone, Sept. 1.

1978

$25,000 **Neshaminy Handicap,** 6 fur., 3-year-olds & up. Keystone, May 6.

$25,000 **Fort McHenry Handicap,** (dead heat with John Alden), 1 1/16 mi., 3-year-olds & up. Pimlico, July 4.

Bred by Helen G. Wallace

Owned by Red Hill Farm (Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wallace); trained by Thomas E. Field

Foaled at Glade Valley Farms, Frederick, Md.

Red Monk	Rambunctious	*Rasper II
		*Danae II
	Sun Rondeau	Bull Brier
		M. Louise
Tiny Ripple	Georgian	Revoked
		Athenia
	*Lise II	Nearco
		Lady Dushka

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1976	5	3	1	0	$ 10,624
1977 (SW)	19	7	5	2	90,759
1978 (SW)	7	4	0	1	45,751
	31	14	6	3	$147,134

(through July 30)

The placing judges found it impossible to separate Tiny Monk and John Alden at the end of the mile and a sixteenth Fort McHenry Handicap. Tiny Monk, weighted at 116 pounds, was giving John Alden seven pounds. Owned and bred by Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wallace's Red Hill Farm, Tiny Monk was winning a stake race for the first time at a distance beyond seven furlongs.

Sent to the lead at the start of the Fort McHenry, Tiny Monk was pressed early in the race by Aborigine (116). After putting that one away, the chestnut gelding held on with great courage as John Alden rallied from third position. It was only in the last stride that the latter got to even terms. Chati (120) finished third, a neck behind the deadheating winners.

Tiny Monk is the eighth foal and only stakes winner produced by his dam, Tiny Ripple. Her best previous offspring was Reason to Wave ($60,032), a son of Turn to Reason. Risked once in a claiming race (for $18,000) as a 2-year-old, Tiny Monk continues to improve with age. The Fort McHenry was his fourth stakes victory.

It was Marylander James P. S. Devereux who bred Tiny Ripple's first seven foals. And it was also the retired Marine Corps general who sent Tiny Ripple to Red Monk for the mating which produced Tiny Monk. But before the mare foaled, General Devereux sold her to Mrs. Wallace. Since the breeder of a horse is the owner of the dam at the time of foaling, it is Mrs. Wallace who gets full credit for the production of Tiny Monk.

Red Monk, the sire of Tiny Monk, raced seven times. He won six of those races and finished third the only time he was defeated. He started only once in a stake race (Bowie's Southern Maryland Handicap) and won it in time four-fifths of a second slower than the 1:09 1/5 track record.

GALA DECADE

b.c., 1976

1978

$25,000 **Playpen Stakes,** 5½ fur., Maryland-bred 2-year-olds. Pimlico, July 15.

Bred by Glade Valley Farms

Owned by Gertrude Leviton; trained by Bernard P. Bond

Foaled at Glade Valley Farms, Frederick, Md.

Rollicking	Rambunctious	*Rasper II
		*Danae II
	Martinetta	Martins Rullah
		Gracefield
Decalane	Decathlon	Olympia
		Dog Blessed
	Lindlane	Brookfield
		Sarah Loraine

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1978 (SW)	4	2	2	0	$27,447

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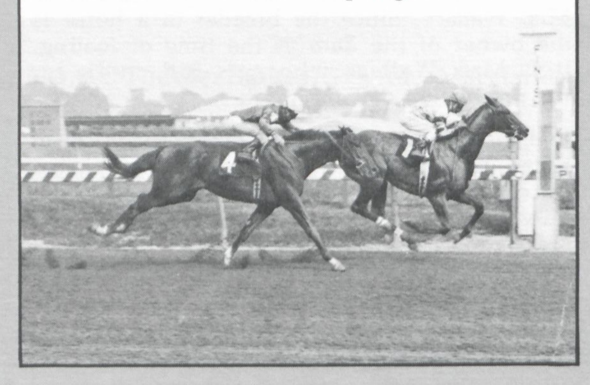
Although Gala Decade is the first stakes winner produced by Decalane (a foal of 1960), the mare was distinguished early in her long career by

Gala Decade continued

her son Decacean who earned $167,302 while making 105 starts. Decacean, a foal of 1964, was the first good horse raced by Milton Polinger. The gelding never won a stake, but he placed in two added-money events and set three track records at Marlboro. None of Decalane's six other foals achieved much distinction on the track, the best of them (Decamar) earning $26,944.

Gala Decade, a son of the remarkably successful Rollicking, won his debut at Pimlico in a maiden special race in April. He came back to finish second to Rare Wind in the Primer Stakes at Pimlico and was then second by a head to Coup de Kas in an allowance event at the same track. Confronting Maryland-breds in the Playpen, Gala Decade was installed a 6-to-5 favorite. The bay colt led from start to finish, registering by three-quarters of a length over Smarten, Quadratic's half-brother.

Following that brilliant win (Gala Decade's time of 1.04 3/5 was only two-fifths slower than the track record), trainer Bernie Bond looked with anticipation at stakes to be run later in the summer at Delaware Park. But Gala Decade's 1978 campaign ended abruptly during a workout in July over the Delaware track. While breezing, he fractured a bone in his knee and was retired for the balance of the year. The colt has since been operated on at the New Bolton Center and Bond is hopeful that Gala Decade will be back in action next spring.



DAVE'S FRIEND

b.g., 1975

1978

$50,000 **Patriot Stakes,** 7 fur., 3-year-olds. Keystone, May 27.

$50,000 **Marylander Handicap,** 1⅛ mi., 3-year-olds. Pimlico, July 22. (Set new track record.)

Bred by Robert L. Beall

Owned by Robert L. Beall; trained by Robert L. Beall

Foaled at Friend's Choice Farm, Davidsonville, Md.

Friend's Choice	Crimson Satan	Spy Song Papila
	Lindisima	Nashua Bella Figura
Duc's Tina	Duc de Fer	Spy Song Lady Waterloo
	Fleet Rhymer	Flaming Fleet Star Rhymer

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1977	unraced				
1978 (SW)	7	5	1	0	$109,100
	7	5	1	0	$109,100

(through Aug. 7)

Although Dave's Friend was installed even-money favorite for the $50,000 Marylander Handicap, there were those who had reservations about the brilliant 3-year-old gelding. It was, they said, the first time Bob Beall's charge had faced "real race horses." As things turned out, there was no cause for concern. Even though once-defeated (in the Kentucky Derby) Sensitive Prince was in the lineup, Dave's Friend performed as though he owned the track. Leaving the gate, the Maryland-bred stumbled. Then he recovered quickly and went immediately to the lead under Vince Bracciale, Jr. Rated under a good hold, Dave's Friend responded to hand urging on the stretch turn and to a strong whip ride through the final furlong. He wound up a length in front of

SILK OR SATIN

ch.c., 1975

1978

$10,000 **Jet Handicap** (1st div.), 4 fur., Maryland-breds, 3 & up. Timonium, July 24.

Bred by Jerold C. Hoffberger

Owned by Jerold C. Hoffberger; trained by D. Michael Smithwick

Foaled at Victory Hills Farm, Westminster, Md.

Impressive	*Court Martial	Fair Trial Instantaneous
	High Voltage	*Ambiorix Dynamo
Jerali	Olden Times	Relic *Djenne
	Satin Queen	*Alibhai Themesong

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1977	9	1	4	2	$12,315
1978 (SW)	8	6	0	1	28,448
	17	7	4	3	$40,763

(through July 31)

Winning the faster division of the split Jet Handicap, Jerold Hoffberger's Silk Or Satin

Star De Naskra with Sensitive Prince a distant third. Dave's Friend's time for the mile and an eighth race was 1:48 2/5 — two-fifths of a second faster than American Trader's track record.

Owned, trained and bred by Robert L. Beall, Dave's Friend (named for David Davis) is clearly the best male 3-year-old Maryland-bred of the 1978 season. His only challenger among 3-year-olds is Caesar's Wish, a filly. Following the Marylander the racing secretary at Monmouth Park (Robert J. Kulina) had occasion to weight the nation's 3-year-olds for the $100,000 Monmouth Invitational Handicap. As expected, Affirmed topped the weights with Alydar second. In fifth position was Dave's Friend at 120 pounds. (When the race was run on August 5, Dave's Friend was the starting high weight and finished second to Delta Flag, weighted at 112.)

Dave's Friend is from the third crop of Mr. Beall's stallion, Friend's Choice. Purchased as a yearling at Keeneland for $7,500 in 1967, Friend's Choice earned $50,169 in 46 starts. Retired to stud at Beall's 125-acre Friend's Choice Farm in Davidsonville, the stallion (who had never placed in a stake race) has proved himself to be remarkably successful as a progenitor. Duc's Tina, dam of Dave's Friend, is owned by Earl Mull but is leased to Mr. Beall on a shared foal basis.



J.O. TOBIN

dk.b. or br.c., 1974

1977

$40,000 **Coronado Handicap,** 1 mi., turf, 3-year-olds. Hollywood Park, April 30.
$300,000 **Swaps Stakes,** 1¼ mi., 3-year-olds. Hollywood Park, July 3.

1978

$50,000 **Malibu Stakes,** 7 fur., 4-year-olds. Santa Anita, Jan. 1.
$50,000 **San Bernardino Handicap,** 1⅛ mi., turf, 4 & up. Santa Anita, March 25.
$50,000 **Premiere Handicap,** 1¹/₁₆ mi., 3 & up. Hollywood Park, April 12.
$50,000 **Los Angeles Handicap,** 7 fur., 3 & up. Hollywood Park, April 22.
$200,000 **Californian Stakes,** 1¹/₁₆ mi., 3 & up. Hollywood Park, May 14.
$40,000 **Tom Fool Handicap,** 7 fur., 3 & up. Belmont Park, July 23.

Bred by George A. Pope, Jr.
Owned by George A. Pope, Jr.; trained by Lazaro S. Barrera
Foaled at Windfields Farm, Chesapeake City, Md.

Never Bend	*Nasrullah	Nearco
		Mumtaz Begum
	Lalun	*Djeddah
		Be Faithful
Hill Shade	Hillary	*Khaled
		Snow Bunny
	Penumbra	Imperium
		Moonrise

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1976 (SW)	4	3	0	1	$ 66,866
1977 (SW)	6	3	1	0	237,450
1978 (SW)	10	6	1	1	353,300
	20	12	2	2	$657,616

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carried top weight of 118 pounds in the four-furlong race and performed as the 2-to-5 favorite. With Bill Passmore riding, the 4-year-old colt was timed in 45 3/5, two-fifths of a second slower than the track record. He won by three and a half lengths "handily" over Bold and Lucky with Whatzayer third.

Although the Jet Handicap marked Silk Or Satin's first stake win, he had as a 2-year-old finished third in the Playpen Stakes. Three times during May, June and July of this year the Mikey Smithwick-trained colt won at Pimlico in allowance company.

Jerali, the dam of Silk Or Satin, was purchased by Mr. Hoffberger as a yearling at Saratoga in 1968 for $10,000. Her name is derived from the first names of Jerry Hoffberger and his wife, Alice. In the Hoffberger colors Jerali went on to earn $115,560, placing in three stakes. Her first foal was Plute (by Umbrella Fella) who earned $39,618 and finished third in the Loch Raven Stakes. Next came Smooth as Satin (by Nearctic) who won $7,166 and is now at stud at Country Life Farm. The mare's third foal is Silk Or Satin.

Impressive, sire of Silk Or Satin, stood first at the Maryland Stallion Station (in 1968) when it was owned by Mr. and Mrs. George Odom, and then remained at the same farm after it was purchased by E.P. Taylor and renamed Windfields. But in 1977 Mr. Taylor decided to sell Impressive. He was susequently auctioned at the Keeneland Fall Sales, bringing $136,000. Impressive now stands in Solvang, California.

J. O. Tobin continued

After winning five stakes this year in California, J.O. Tobin was shipped to New York for a try against the Eastern establishment. His first outing came in Belmont Park's seven-furlong Tom Fool Handicap for which the Laz Barrera-trained 4-year-old was assigned top weight of 129 pounds. Installed a 13-to-10 favorite, J.O. Tobin ran one of his finest races, registering by six and a half lengths over White Rammer who was in receipt of 10 pounds. Tobin's time of 1:20 4/5 was two-fifths slower than the track record.

A few days after the Tom Fool Handicap the colt's namesake died in California, less than a month short of his 100th birthday. Mr. Tobin, a former president of the Hibernia Bank in San Francisco, was a close personal friend of George A. Pope, Jr., owner-breeder of the horse. Known in his younger years as a great sportsman, Mr. Tobin had played polo and was quite expert with a gun.

Foaled at Windfields Farm in Chesapeake City, J.O. Tobin was sent to England to race as a 2-year-old. The colt won three of his four starts that year and was topweighted on England's Tote Free Handicap at 134 pounds. He returned to this country late in his 2-year-old year and was immediately pointed for the Kentucky Derby. He missed that race, however, when delayed by a cough. But he did ship East for the Preakness, finishing fifth to Seattle Slew. Two months later he avenged that defeat by winning the $300,000 Swaps Stakes at Hollywood Park with Seattle Slew winding up fourth for the only loss of his career.

The $25,950 earned by J.O. Tobin in the Tom Fool Handicap moves him into fourth position among the all-time list of Maryland-bred money winners. The three Maryland-breds above him are Find ($803,615), Youth ($683,224) and Social Outcast ($668,300).

GAY CANDY

ch.m., 1972

1977

$20,000 **Majorette Handicap,** 1⅛ mi., Maryland-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up. Timonium, Aug. 27.

1978

$18,000 **Majorette Handicap,** 1⅛ mi., Maryland-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up. Timonium, July 29.

Bred by Alec J. Bullock

Owned by Alec J. Bullock; trained by Alec J. Bullock

Foaled at White Way Farm, Lutherville, Md.

Big Rock Candy	Morning Line	Questionnaire
		Colosseum
	Tidbits	Boston Man
		Honey Bun
Gay Staddie	War Age	War Relic
		Ellendale
	Prophets Girl	Prophets Thumb
		Mermaid

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1974	2	1	0	1	$ 3,600
1975	13	2	4	3	17,850
1976	22	4	7	1	47,334
1977 (SW)	20	2	4	6	50,860
1978 (SW)	13	4	1	1	43,265
	70	13	16	12	$162,909
					(through July 31)

Gay Candy, winner of the 1977 renewal of Timonium's Majorette Handicap, was installed a 7-to-10 favorite for this year's running. She carried top weight of 119 pounds and got up in the stretch run to outfinish Robin Red Bug (109) by a neck margin. Enthused was a decisively beaten third in the mile and an eighth race which attracted six starters.

Owned, trained and bred by Alec J. Bullock, Gay Candy is Mr. Bullock's only homebred stakes winner (although he did win the 1958 Maryland Derby with Mickey Boy, a gelding which he had purchased). Gay Candy has won no stakes other than the two most recent renewals of the Majorette Handicap.

Mr. Bullock, a licensed trainer since 1947, bought Gay Candy's second dam, Prophets Girl, from Mrs. George Brown, Jr., along with Mickey Boy in 1956. They were both yearlings and together cost $10,000. Prophets Girl (a full sister to stakes winner Lady's Maid) is out of a half-sister to Citation. The best race horse produced by Prophets Girl was Gay Staddie, winner of $35,493. Since being retired to stud, Gay Staddie has produced five foals, including Gay Candy (a daughter of Big Rock Candy).

Mr. Bullock is one of the few horsemen who breeds, trains and owns his racing stable. A polo player in his younger days, Mr. Bullock lives in Lutherville where he maintains a small breeding operation. Mrs. Bullock is the niece of Mrs. Brown who died in 1971. Mrs. Brown's husband was one of Maryland's best known horsemen and racing officials prior to his death in 1956. It was Mr. Brown who bought Mermaid from Calumet Farm in 1950, following three consecutive barren years for Calumet. After being acquired by Mr. Brown, Mermaid foaled four colts and six fillies.

PULSAR

ch.f., 1974

1978

$10,000 **Jet Handicap** (2nd div.), 4 fur., 3 & up, Maryland-breds. Timonium, July 24.

Bred by Mrs. Rosalee Davison

Owned by Mrs. Rosalee Davison; trained by Hubert Hine

Foaled at Halcyon Farm, Lutherville, Md.

Bold Hour	Bold Ruler	*Nasrullah
		Miss Disco
	Seven Thirty	Mr. Music
		Time To Dine
Fast Exchange	Swaps	*Khaled
		Iron Reward
	Dawn O'Darby	Bull Lea
		Darby Dunedin

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1976	unraced				
1977	4	0	2	0	$ 4,330
1978 (SW)	5	3	0	0	13,448
	9	3	2	0	$17,778

(through July 31)

Pulsar is the first stakes winner ever owned or bred by Rosalee Davison, daughter of Pimlico owner Ben Cohen. Mrs. Davison and her husband, Richard, own only two broodmares, both of which are regularly quartered at J. Fred Colwill's Halcyon Farm. Fast Exchange, the dam of Pulsar, was acquired by Mrs. Davison from the estate of the late William Hetzer in a private transaction in 1973. Mr. Hetzer was at the time of his death a member of the Maryland Racing Commission.

Fast Exchange produced four foals prior to being acquired by the Davisons, the best of them being Ruler's Bellino (by Bold Ambition) who has earned nearly $60,000. For the Davisons, Pulsar was Fast Exchange's first foal. The mare is currently in foal to Princely Game, a recently retired son of Majestic Prince owned by Mrs. Davison's father.

Pulsar didn't break her maiden until February of this year. She was unraced at 2 and made only four starts at 3, twice finishing second. The filly has never run for a tag and was an allowance winner at Pimlico in July. Competing in the second division of the Jet Handicap as a 5-to-1 shot (Mississippi Bill was 1-to-2 and finished last), Pulsar led from start to finish, registering by a head over Sailingaway. Bee Country ran third, two lengths behind the leaders. Pulsar was timed in 46 3/5, a full second slower than Silk Or Satin's winning time in the first division.

Mr. and Mrs. Davison were both on hand to witness Pulsar's victory. Said Mr. Davison: "Even though it was only a division of a very small stake, it was a great thrill."

JOE'S BEE

b.f., 1975

1978

$30,000 **Market Basket Stakes,** 1 1/16 mi. (turf), 3-year-old fillies which have not won a sweepstake in 1978. Hollywood Park, July 6.

$20,000 **San Clemente Stakes,** (2nd div.), 1 1/16 mi. (turf), 3-year-old fillies. Del Mar, July 29.

Bred by Joseph B. Singer

Owned by Duo Stable; trained by Lazaro S. Barrera

Foaled at Woodstock Farm, Chesapeake City, Md.

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1977	6	2	1	0	$ 17,923
1978 (SW)	11	5	0	1	83,403
	17	7	1	1	$101,326

(through Aug. 7)

Bred and originally raced by Joseph B. Singer, Joe's Bee was sold to Chealis Hammond and Lowell T. Hughes for a reported $100,000 early this year in Florida. The new owners race under the name of Duo Stable. Mr. Singer,

King's Bishop	Round Table	*Princequillo
		*Knight's Daughter
	Spearfish	Fleet Nasrullah
		Alabama Girl
Joe's Lil Girl	Sunrise Flight	Double Jay
		Misty Morn
	Susie Q. Rice	Traffic Judge
		Mims

who lives in Texas, maintains a small racing stable trained by Walter A. Kelley. Mr. Kelley has for years bred horses in Maryland, principally as a result of his association with Mary and Maje Odom who live just over the Maryland line in Delaware.

As a 2-year-old, Joe's Bee won two races at Belmont and was fourth in stakes in Maryland and Kentucky. She was owned then by Singer and trained by Kelley. After being purchased by Duo Stable, Joe's Bee was shipped to California where she joined the stable of Laz Barrera. In both of her stakes wins, the filly defeated Fairy Dance who is a half-sister to J. O. Tobin. Fairy Dance is by Northern Dancer.

Joe's Bee is from the first crop of the highly successful Windfields Farm stallion King's Bishop. The stallion, who stands for a live foal fee of $7,500, is by Round Table out of Spearfish. He won over $308,000 during the two seasons he raced and is now owned by a syndicate.

GAY JITTERBUG

b.g., 1973

1977

$40,000 **Canadian Turf Handicap** (2nd div.), 1 1/16 mi. (turf), 3 & up. Gulfstream Park, Feb. 19.

1978

$20,000 **Sunrise Handicap,** 1 1/16 mi. (turf), 3 & up. Atlantic City, July 29.

Bred by Windfields Farm

Owned by Jaclyn Stable; trained by Warren A. Croll, Jr.

Foaled at Windfields Farm, Chesapeake City, Md.

Northern Dancer	Nearctic	Nearco *Lady Angela
	Natalma	Native Dancer Almahmoud
Gay Meeting	Sir Gaylord	*Turn-to Somethingroyal
	Secret Meeting	*Alibhai Burgoo Maid

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1975	2	2	0	0	$ 7,500
1976	8	4	2	1	63,920
1977 (SW)	10	4	1	3	88,948
1978 (SW)	5	1	3	0	21,845
	25	11	6	4	$182,213

(through July 31)

Purchased by Dr. Leon Levy's Jaclyn Stable at Saratoga as a yearling for $62,000, Gay Jitterbug proceeded to win the first three starts of his career before finishing second in a stake. During the four seasons he has campaigned, the gelding has been sparingly raced by his trainer, Warren A. Croll, Jr. Gay Jitterbug did not begin his 1978 season until late May at Monmouth Park. He missed by a nose in that allowance race, then came back two weeks later to lose again by a nose in another allowance event. His third start was in the Oceanport Handicap in which he ran ninth. Then came a three-quarter length loss when second in another allowance event. Finally, in the Sunrise Handicap Gay Jitterbug shook loose for a one-length triumph over *Dominion.

Installed 4-to-5 favorite under his 112-pound burden (*Dominion was topweighted at 116), Gay Jitterbug lay close to the early pace of Mug Hunter and drew off through the last furlong to win in a driving finish. Ridden by Steve Cauthen, Gay Jitterbug was gaining the second stakes victory of his 25-race career. *Dominion was second by three-quarters of a length over Rumancoke.

Following the race, the crowd flocked to the winner's circle where Princess Caroline of

DOUBLE RECIPE

dk. b. or br. g., 1974

1978

$20,000 **Capital City Handicap** (2nd div.), 1 1/16 mi. (turf), 3 & up. Penn National, July 30.

Bred by Labadie Mill Farm (Dr. and Mrs. William H. Wright)

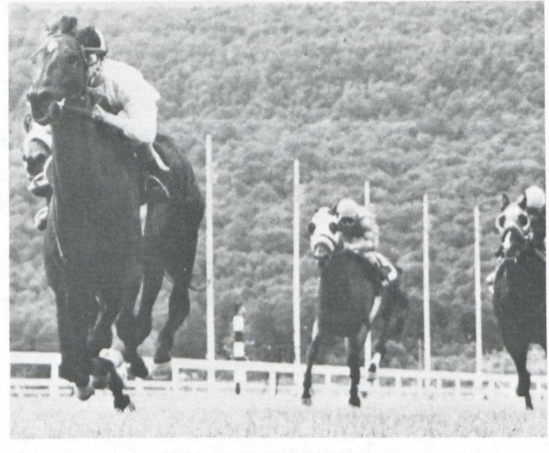
Owned by Labadie Mill Farm; trained by William H. Wright

Foaled at Labadie Mill Farm, Chesapeake City, Md.

Spring Double	Double Jay	Balladier Broomshot
	*Sunset Gun II	Hyperion Ace of Spades
Cherry Jam	Yes You Will	Rough'n Tumble Yes She Will
	Cherry Flip	One Hitter Cherry Fizz

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
1976	4	0	0	0	$ 540
1977	23	2	3	4	15,996
1978 (SW)	10	2	1	1	23,648
	37	4	4	5	$40,184

(through July 31)



Twelve years ago Dr. William H. Wright gave up his highly successful veterinary practice on the New York racing circuit and moved to Chesapeake City to establish a breeding farm on property he had purchased there. Ten years ago he married Lana duPont (his second marriage), daughter of Mrs. Richard C. duPont. Between them, they now own four Chesapeake City farms, totalling over 1,000 acres. Today Dr. Wright is doing the thing he most wanted to do all of his life—train and breed his own horses.

Monaco and her husband, Philippe Junot, presented the winning trophy to Cauthen. Dr. Levy, Gay Jitterbug's owner, is chairman of the board of the Atlantic City Racing Association.

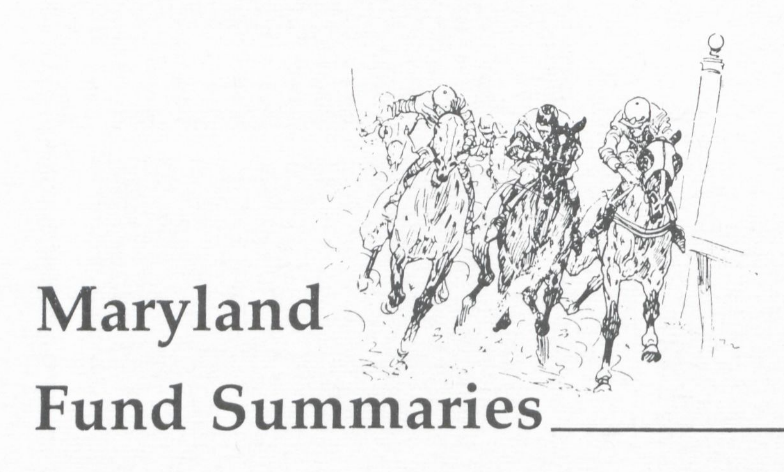
If Gay Jitterbug were an entire horse, he would no doubt have already been retired to stud. But being a gelding, he will race as long as trainer Croll considers him a worthwhile money-maker.



Last November Dr. Wright decided to make a major change with his horses. He took the shoes off all of them, declaring that he would henceforth run them barefooted. The success of that experiment has delighted the veterinarian who asserts that his stable is performing much better with carefully tended bare feet than with racing plates. Like all the others (the stable consists of four older horses and four 2-year-olds), Double Recipe runs without shoes.

In the divided Capital City Handicap, Double Recipe faced five opponents. He was the lightest weighted horse at 105 pounds (even-money favorite Cinteelo carried 119), and he was the second biggest price at 11-to-1. Third during the early part of the mile and a sixteenth turf race, Double Recipe caught pacesetting Cinteelo in early stretch and went on to win by a length. Cinteelo was easily second over All The More.

Spring Double, sire of Double Recipe, is one of Maryland's most successful stallions with such major stakes winners as Gala Lil and Gala Double to his credit. Cherry Jam, dam of Double Recipe, won five races from 42 starts, earning $10,136. At stud she has produced six foals of whom Double Recipe is by far the best.



Maryland Fund Summaries

Statistics For Combined Fund Program

Held at Pimlico
May 29 through July 22, 1978

Total Handle	*.50 per cent to Maryland Fund*	*10% of ½ of Breakage*	*Surplus from Previous Meeting*	*Interest Earned*	*Distributed*
$42,906,040	$214,530.20	$14,177.19	$12,063.64	$530.80	$188,075

Fund expenditures:

Purses	$168,000.00
Breeder awards	15,120.00
Stallion awards	2,947.50
Service charge to Maryland Horse Breeders Association	2,007.50
Total	$188,075.00

Fund revenue:

Percentage of Handle	$214,530.20
10% of ½ of Breakage	14,177.19
	$228,707.39
Surplus from 1977	12,063.64
Interest earned	530.80
Available Funds	$241,301.83
Distributed	188,075.00
Surplus to be Distributed in 1979	$ 53,226.83

FIFTH DAY (June 2). Purse $8,500. 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds. Maidens. Special Weights. 5 furlongs. 7 competed. Winner: WOOER, by Lothario. Breeder Bonus: John E. Hughes ($765). Stallion Bonus: None. Service charge to MHBA $85.

EIGHTH DAY (June 6). Purse $8,500. 2-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds. Maidens. Special Weights. 5 furlongs. 8 competed. Winner: IVY'S IMP, by Impetuosity. Breeder Bonus: Mrs. W. T. Leatherbury and Mrs. Anita Stokes ($765). Stallion Bonus: Wendell P. Rosso ($382.50). Service charge to MHBA $127.50.

TWELFTH DAY (June 10). Purse $25,000-added. Queen Anne Handicap. 3-year-olds and up, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds. (Closed with 17 nominations.) 6 furlongs. 6 competed. Winner: SPOT TWO, by Hagley. Breeder Bonus: Einar A. Helsing ($2,250). Stallion Bonus: None. Service charge to MHBA $250.

FIFTEENTH DAY (June 14). Purse $14,000. 4-year-olds and up, registered Maryland-breds, which have not won $5,425 twice other than maiden, claiming, starter or bonus payment in 1978. Allowance. 6 furlongs. 5 competed. Winner: COUNTER PUNCH, by Reverse. Breeder Bonus: John E. Hughes ($1,260). Stallion Bonus: None. Service charge to MHBA $140.

TWENTY-FIRST DAY (June 21). Purse $8,500. 2-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds.

Maidens. Special Weights. 5½ furlongs. 10 competed. Winner: LOST COLONY, by Roanoke Island. Breeder Bonus: Blue Ridge Farm ($765). Stallion Bonus: Roanoke Island Syndicate ($382.50). Service charge to MHBA $127.50.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY (June 24). Purse $15,000. 3-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds. Allowance. 1¹/₁₆ miles. 5 competed. Winner: T. V. HILL, by T. V. Commercial. Breeder Bonus: Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jay ($1,350). Stallion Bonus: T. V. Commercial Syndicate ($675). Service charge to MHBA $225.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY (June 29). Purse $8,500. 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds. Maidens. Special Weights. 5½ furlongs. 9 competed. Winner: SILENT NATIVE, by Northern Jove. Breeder Bonus: Carlyle J. Lancaster ($765). Stallion Bonus: Northern Jove Syndicate ($382.50). Service charge to MHBA $127.50.

TWENTY-NINTH DAY (June 30). Purse $15,000. 3-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds. Allowance. 1 mile (turf). 6 competed. Winner: BOLD MELODY, by Bold Reason. Breeder Bonus: Nuckols Brothers ($1,350). Stallion Bonus: None. Service charge to MHBA $150.

THIRTIETH DAY (July 1). Purse $25,000-added. Toddler Stakes, 2-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds. (Closed with 20 nominations.) 5½ furlongs. 7 competed. Winner: HEAVY SUGAR, by What Luck. Breeder Bonus: C. P. Beler ($2,250). Stallion Bonus: None. Service charge to MHBA $250.

FORTY-SECOND DAY (July 15). Purse $25,000-added. Playpen Stakes. 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds. (Closed with 19 nominations.) 5½ furlongs. 5 competed. Winner: GALA DECADE, by Rollicking. Breeder Bonus: Glade Valley Farms, Inc. ($2,250). Stallion Bonus: Mrs. Robert A. Leonard ($1,125). Service charge to MHBA $375.

FORTY-FOURTH DAY (July 18). Purse $15,000. 3-year-olds and up, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds which have not won a sweepstakes in 1978. Allowance. 1¹/₁₆ miles. 5 competed. Winner: DEBBY'S TURN, by Turn to Mars. Breeder Bonus: Helen Gwinn Wallace ($1,350). Stallion Bonus: None. Service charge to MHBA $150.

Open Race Bonuses

Mr. and Mrs. David I. Abse — TERRACOTTA: July 3, 4th race, $169.25.

Leonard Askin — HUDIE: June 14, 8th race, $246.82.

Robert L. Beall — DAVE'S FRIEND: July 11, 7th race $264.46; July 22, 8th race, $450. FRIENDLY DANCER: July 12, 5th race, $246.82.

Mrs. Irene Blusiewicz — SCARPITTA: June 22, 3rd race, $148.09.

James D. Boines — SHACHO SAN: June 24, 9th race, $193.93.

Mrs. Alberta Bonsal — RED ROCK PASS: June 9, 4th race, $148.09.

Frank A. Bonsal — WIDE RANGE: July 4, 4th race, $169.25.

Thomas Bowden — BOWS BUNNY: June 15, 6th race, $211.56.

Rhoda Christmas Bowling — COMBAT PATROL: July 13, 5th race, $193.93.

Thomas Bowman — ROLLIN T.: June 5, 1st race, $169.25.

Calvin P. Brockdorff — BINC: June 26, 5th race, $169.25.

Alec J. Bullock — BIG PUNT: July 19, 6th race, $176.30. GAY CANDY: June 24, 7th race, $450.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Byers — TROJAN PETE: June 27, 2nd race, $133.99.

Hal C. B. Clagett — ACE-O-CRATIC: July 20, 2nd race, $116.36. BELMONT TURN: July 4, 1st race, $116.36.

George E. Clark, Jr. — FANCY DECISION: July 14, 4th race, $158.67.

Mrs. Ben Cohen — A SYMPHONY: June 23, 7th race, $229.19; July 18, 8th race, $246.82. CON MAN: July 4, 7th race, $387.87. THE STRONGEST: July 1, 2nd race, $193.93.

Thomas D'Alesandro, former mayor of Baltimore, presents Annapolis Handicap trophy won by Doc's Rock to jockey Herb Hinojosa, owner/breeders Charles and Sandra Stancer.



Pimlico Fund continued

Seymour Cohn — STELL HONEY: July 19, 4th race, $148.09.

Mrs. E. W. Conway — PRINCESS JAN R.: June 29, 5th race, $352.61.

Country Life Farm — BIG AVENUE: May 29, 6th race, $183.36.

C. P. S. Stable — PINK TULIP: July 13, 3rd race, $158.67.

Cragwood Estates, Inc. — QUICK DECISION: June 6, 8th race, $246.82.

Walter E. Crismer — ANGEL AHEAD: June 9, 2nd race, $158.67.

Mrs. Richard Davison — LAST HAIL: June 30, 7th race, $229.19. PRIME HOUR: July 12, 8th race, $246.82. PULSAR: July 3, 7th race, $229.19.

Derby Hill Farm — LUCKY INDEED: July 7, 3rd race, $193.93. MT. AIRY KING: June 2, 7th race, $246.82.

Devereux Family Trust and Donelson Christmas Stables — BOLD RIDONA: July 18, 6th race, $183.36.

James W. Dickey — ROBIN RED BUG: June 22, 4th race, $193.93.

Mrs. Samuel F. duPont — COMMERCIAL LADY: May 30, 5th race, $169.25; June 21, 2nd race, $169.25; July 19, 5th race, $193.93.

Dr. O. Anderson Engh — SARADARA: July 15, 9th race, $193.93.

Robert I. Engle — WHAT A PRO: June 15, 4th race, $169.25.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ewalt — REST THE QUADRANT: June 8, 8th race, $352.61.

F. H. P. Partnership — POLAR POINT: June 1, 4th race, $193.93.

Fox Crossing Stables and HoshieKon Farm — PIORETTE: July 5, 4th race, $148.09.

Peter Fuller — MELGROSS: July 15, 4th race, $193.93.

Robert Gallo — SUNSHINE BEAUTY: June 9, 6th race, $246.82; July 20, 4th race, $352.61.

Robert Gallo and Donald Barr — TEJEULA'S WONDER: June 17, 1st race, $116.36.

John A. Gangi — WORLD EXCHANGE: June 16, 1st race, $123.42.

Glade Valley Farms, Inc. — ETERNAL ROCK: June 21, 8th race, $246.82. HOT SLIPPERS: June 2, 8th race, $450.

Gordonsdale Farm — GIRLS ARE GRIEF: June 1, 7th race, $229.19.

Barbara C. Graham and Dr. Calvin E. Rofe — SALEM SAVIOR: June 21, 6th race, $264.46.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Green — SURELY: July 14, 2nd race, $123.42.

Helmore Farm — SEA TALE: July 6, 4th race, $183.36.

E. Earle Henderson — JAY BELLE: June 19, 3rd race, $148.09; July 12, 2nd race, $148.09.

Mrs. E. J. Heyer — ERNIE'S LAD: May 29, 7th race, $229.19.

Hidden Lane Stable — HIDDEN CAP: June 16, 3rd race, $183.36; June 27, 9th race, $183.36.

Hilltop Stable — JUDGEMENT CALL: July 5, 8th race, $246.82.

Andrew G. P. Hobbs — FAIRWAY FOX: July 14, 5th race, $193.93.

Jerold C. Hoffberger — SILK OR SATIN: May 30, 8th race, $246.82; June 30, 8th race, $264.46; July 10, 6th race, $282.09.



Charles B. Iler — ALTA VISTA: July 20, 9th race, $183.36.

John Wm. Jacobs — RISE EMOTIONS: June 12, 1st race, $116.36; June 23, 1st race, $116.36.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart S. Janney, Jr., BEST MAN: June 29, 9th race, $176.30. DOUBLE THREES: June 10, 6th race, $229.19. POCOTALIGO: June 28, 7th race, $387.87. YEMASSEE: June 15, 8th race, $246.82.

Peter Jay — BOREDOM ZERO: July 6, 3rd race, $193.93.

Lewis B. Jennings — PETITE NICOLE: June 23, 2nd race, $148.09.

J. Gordon Kincheloe — MY IRON LASS: July 7, 8th race, $264.46.

Herbert Klein — WHATZAYER: July 8, 9th race, $176.30.

Alan S. Kline — CONTRARY BROGUE: June 26, 2nd race, $133.99.

Labadie Mill Farm — DOUBLE RECIPE: July 13, 8th race, $264.46.

Mrs. A. J. Lacoste and Milton Martin — A STAR BLOOMED: June 7, 1st race, $116.36.

Deborah A. Lamparter — PERFECT DADDY: June 20, 8th race, $352.61.

Carlyle J. Lancaster — NATIVE SECRET: June 5, 2nd race, $133.99.

Aubrey L. Lawrence — ARKENDALE: May 30, 3rd race, $183.36.

Herbert Lawrence — CONCORDIAN: July 18, 9th race, $158.67.

W. H. Leachman — MISTER NIX: May 30, 6th race, $169.25.



James F. Lewis III — ENTHUSED: July 4, 5th race, $387.87. MONTANA EAGLE: July 22, 4th race, $169.25.

Thomas A. Loudonslager — TONDRA: June 7, 2nd race, $133.99.

Harry A. Love — SARA CREWE: June 7, 5th race, $193.93.

Jervis S. Marshall — ALL HANDS UP: June 29, 4th race, $211.56.

Arlene McCurdy — TOO TALL DUC: July 21, 2nd race, $193.93.

Dr. and Mrs. G. G. Meredith — MILLIE AND ME: June 14, 9th race, $141.04.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Merryman — COUNT OFF: June 2, 6th race, $229.19.

Mrs. J. B. Morrison — EL CAPO: June 17, 6th race, $229.19.

Victor Mosca — ARGENTO: July 11, 4th race, $246.82.

Stein Mulligan — IRISH SNIP: July 7, 7th race, $211.56.

Richard P. Murphy — SOLO MEDIA: June 24, 2nd race, $141.04.

Nuckols Brothers — BOLD MELODY: May 31, 7th race, $229.19.

O'Brien Brothers — SUBATOMIC: June 23, 9th race, $123.42.

Otly Stable — ANNUITANT: June 30, 5th race, $169.25.

Dr. Davie L. Paice and Mrs. Ray Winer — WHAT A TELE: June 22, 7th race, $264.46.

V. A. Palumbo — GREAT BOSS: June 6, 4th race, $264.46.

Ross Peddicord — WM. WITHERS: July 1, 5th race, $229.19.

Penowa Farms — PENOWA SECRET: July 14, 3rd race, $158.67.

Estate of Milton Polinger — ADVAN: June 21, 9th race, $148.09; July 11, 6th race, $229.19.

Pomponio Stables — TYMAT: June 6, 5th race, $183.36; June 29, 6th race, $193.93.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Rathbun — SAILPLANE: June 1, 3rd race, $246.82.

C. B. Rogers III — FINO FINO: June 13, 9th race, $133.99; June 19, 9th race, $148.09.

Mr. and Mrs. Carey Rogers — TIE A RIBBON: June 3, 6th race, $352.61.

Opposite, in winner's circle after Spot Two's Queen Anne Handicap score are (from left) Donna Brown, Ed Brown, Jr., owner Jean Bradley, jockey Herb Hinojosa, trainer Donald Bradley and Brenda Handleman.

Apprentice Ron Franklin, leading jockey at the Pimlico meeting, accepts the inaugural Eugene (Butch) Eseman Memorial Award from John Forbes and Chick Lang.

Pimlico Fund continued

Joseph W. Roland — KAPOI: June 13, 2nd race, $126.94; July 3, 4th race, $158.67.

Rosemont Farm, Inc. — ELENI G.: July 13, 4th race, $169.25. TINA'S MUSIC: June 30, 2nd race, $148.09.

H. Morton Rosen — BETH LAUREN: July 21, 6th race, $169.25. FREDDIE'S FLASH: June 3, 3rd race, $211.56. G. FAVA: June 9, 1st race, $158.67.

Louis Rosenberg — MINNA E.: June 28, 8th race, $246.82.

Runnymede Farm — BOB'S SID: July 5, 2nd race, $123.42.

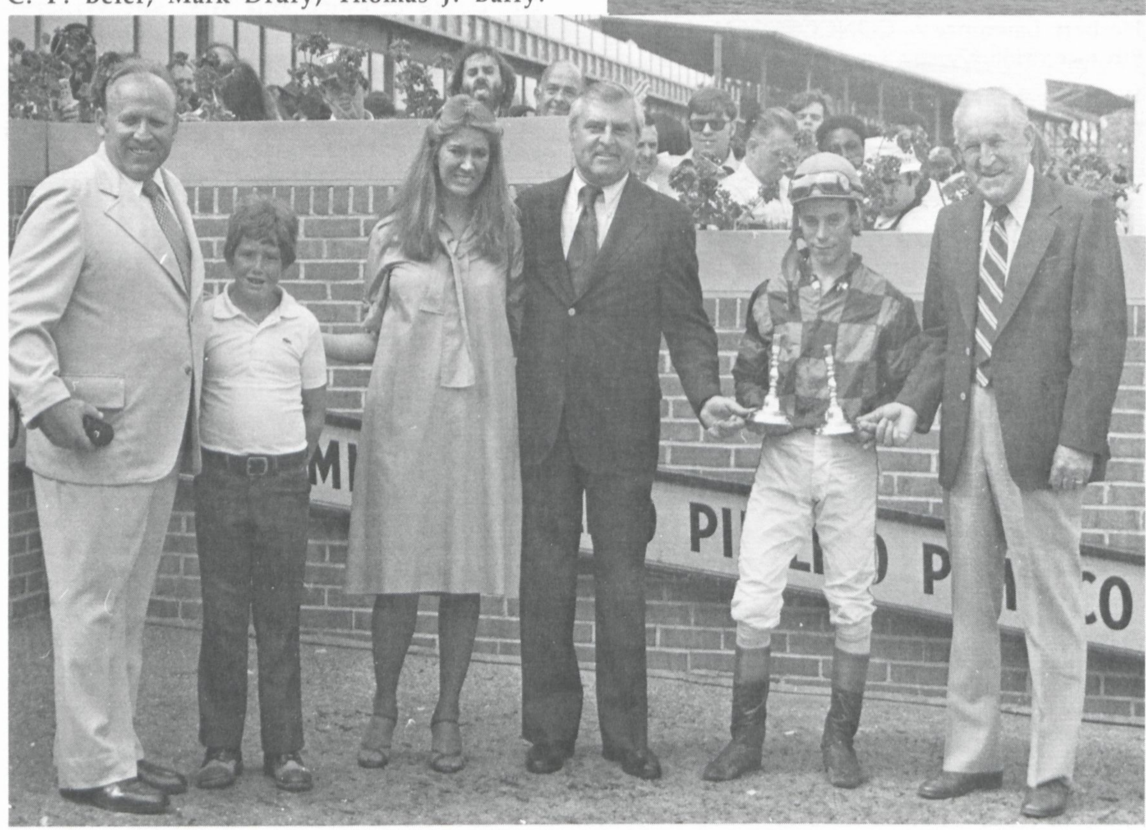
Robert P. Seward — OUTA DE QUESTION: June 12, 8th race, $317.35; June 23, 8th race, $352.61.

Douglas R. Small, Sr. — BACAYE: June 15, 5th race, $158.67.



Robert L. Beall, owner/breeder/trainer of Dave's Friend, Mrs. Beall and jockey Vince Bracciale receive Marylander Handicap prize from Ben Cohen of the Maryland Jockey Club.

Heavy Sugar, 2-year-old filly bred and owned by C. P. Beler, holds off Bold Woman to win the Toddler Stakes. Below, presentation ceremony following that race includes (from left) Leon Blusiewicz, Mike Casper, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Beler, Mark Drury, Thomas J. Barry.



Joseph W. Sniffen — MISTY EYED SCHOLAR: July 19, 3rd race, $126.94.

Charles and Sandra Stancer — DOC'S ROCK: June 3, 8th race, $450.

Mrs. Anita C. Stokes — GOLD PRIDE: May 31, 5th race, $211.56.

E. P. Taylor — AT THE CREASE: June 12, 6th race, $246.82. LOUIS FIFTEENTH: June 17, 3rd race, $148.09. T. V. CROONER: June 12, 9th race, $211.56.

The Curragh, Inc. — AIDEEN'S GINGER: June 8, 1st race, $148.09.

Thornmar Farm — LION LAMB: July 19, 7th race, $229.19. WORTHY OF FLOWERS: June 1, 5th race, $264.46.

Tinton Falls Stable — NIGHT AFTER NIGHT: July 6, 9th race, $123.42.

Trillora, Inc. — ASHTON HILL: June 5, 5th race, $229.19. SAWTELLE: May 31, 4th race, $211.56.

Alfred G. Vanderbilt — PYGMY: June 12, 7th race, $211.56.

Frederic D. Vechery — FRED'S DOTTIE: June 1, 6th race, $169.25.

R. E. Vogelman, Jr., — STEPHAN: June 26, 9th race, $133.99. WENT WHERE: July 14, 9th race, $123.42.

R. E. Vogelman, Jr. and Roy R. Hunt — HOOSIER GRAND: June 3, 5th race, $176.30.

R. E. Vogelman Jr. and Mary R. Lester — BROOKS BRAT: July 12, 1st race, $123.42.

Mrs. Louis Lee Voigt — SILT: June 13, 3rd race, $193.93; July 7, 4th race, $193.93.

Helen Gwinn Wallace — TINY MONK: July 4, 8th race, $450.

Robert Watkins and Jasmine D. Watkins — FLAMMABELLE: June 23, 3rd race, $169.25.

James B. Watriss — NOMAD: June 19, 2nd race, $176.30; July 10, 7th race, $229.19.

Michael F. Wettach — CULINARY ART: June 5, 4th race, $158.67.

Stanchfield Wright — EARLEVILLE FLYER: May 30, 1st race, $116.36.

Total Breeder Bonus Payments $30,892.06
Total Service Charge to MHBA ......$ 3,432.73

Open Race Bonuses
Fair Hill

May 29 and June 10, 1978

Labadie Mill Farm — AMERIKINGDOM: June 10, 3rd race, $189.

Cortright Wetherill — PARSON'S WAITING: May 29, 4th race, $226.80.

Total Breeder Bonus Payments $415.80
Total Service Charge to MHBA ....$ 46.20

Maryland Fund Program For Laurel

October 21 through December 30, 1978

$ 7,500 Purse—For 2-year-old maidens, registered Maryland-breds. Six furlongs.

$ 7,500 Purse—For 2-year-old maiden fillies, registered Maryland-breds. Seven furlongs.

$ 9,000 Purse—For 2-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds, which have not won a race other than maiden or claiming. Six furlongs.

$ 9,000 Purse—For 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds, which have not won a race other than maiden or claiming. Seven furlongs.

$10,000 Purse—Back Again Handicap. For 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds, which were exhibited in the Maryland Horse Breeders Association's 1977 yearling show. Six furlongs.

$ 9,000 Purse—For 3 and 4-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds, which have not won two races other than maiden or claiming. Seven furlongs.

$ 9,500 Purse—For 3-year-olds and upward, registered Maryland-breds, which have not won two races other than maiden, claiming, starter or hunt meeting. One mile.

$18,000 Purse—For 3-year-olds and upward, registered Maryland-breds. One mile and one-sixteenth. Turf.

Laurel's Maryland Fund Stakes

$25,000-added—Senatorial Stakes. For 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds. Seven furlongs. November 10.

$35,000-added—Maryland Futurity. For 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds, the produce of mares served in the state of Maryland and the progeny of stallions whose crops were nominated by January 15, 1978 at a fee of $100 per stallion. (Closed with 178 nominations.) One mile. November 24.

$25,000-added—Constellation Handicap. For 3-year-olds and upward, registered Maryland-breds. One mile and one-eighth. Turf. November 25.

$25,000-added—All Brandy Handicap. For 3-year-olds and upward, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds. One mile. December 2.

$25,000-added—Cameo Stakes. For 2-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds. Seven furlongs. December 23.

$25,000-added—E. Taylor Chewning Handicap. For 3-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds. One mile. December 30.

$25,000-added—What a Summer Handicap. For 3-year-olds and upward, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds. Six furlongs.

Maryland Fund Program For Bowie

September 11 through October 20, 1978

$ 7,500 Purse—For 2-year-old maidens, registered Maryland-breds. Six furlongs.

$ 7,500 Purse—For 2-year-old maiden fillies, registered Maryland-breds. Six furlongs.

$ 9,500 Purse—For 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds, which have not won a race other than maiden or claiming. Six furlongs.

$ 9,500 Purse—For 2-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds, which have not won a race other than maiden or claiming. Six furlongs.

$15,000 Purse—For 3-year-olds and upward, registered Maryland-breds, which have not won $5,425 twice other than maiden, claiming, starter or bonus payment since July 22. Seven furlongs.

$15,000 Purse—For 3-year-olds and upward, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds which have not won $5,125 three times other than maiden, claiming, starter or bonus payment in 1978. Six furlongs.

Bowie's Maryland Fund Stakes

$25,000-added—Chesapeake Handicap. For 3-year-olds and upward, registered Maryland-breds. One mile and one-sixteenth. September 16.

$25,000-added—Lansdale G. Sasscer Stakes. For 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds. Six furlongs. September 30.

$25,000-added—Bowie Kindergarten Stakes. For 2-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds. Six furlongs. October 20.

$25,000-added—Caesar's Wish Handicap. For 3-year-olds and upward, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds. One mile and one-sixteenth.

Purses do not include breeder and stallion bonuses. In all Maryland Fund races a sum equivalent to 10 per cent of gross purse is paid to breeder of the winner and a sum equivalent to 5 per cent of gross purse is paid to owner of stallion which sired winner, providing stallion stood in Maryland at the time winner was conceived.

Marra Family Undaunted By Mishaps With Horses

By Sally O'Connor

Few families have experienced more anguish from horses than have Ronald and Diane Marra, owners of the champion 3-day eventers Laurenson and Better and Better.

Although they hold an unparalleled position in eventing, with two horses likely to compete this month in the World Championships in Lexington (Ky.), the Marras have felt heart-rending pain in their drive to the top.

By far their most serious mishap occurred last summer when their daughter Kim lost an eye as the result of being kicked in the face. By comparison, Mrs. Marra's riding accident as a young girl (in which she permanently severed a nerve in her leg) pales in importance. But it is important. Diane Marra has never regained complete use of that limb.

Why do people stay in the horse game after such tragedies?

"Because," explains Ronnie Marra, "horses have become our only real world. Without them, we'd be lost."

Living now in Bryn Mawr (Pa.), the Marras are expanding their horse interests to include the breeding and racing of Thoroughbreds. They come by this honestly, Diane's father (G. W. Bell) having once owned and operated a vast Thoroughbred breeding operation in Canada.

It was while riding at her father's Canadian ranch that Diane badly injured her leg. She had jumped from a bolting horse (to avoid crashing into a fence) and sustained a fracture. "If I had stayed still on the ground, I might have had a chance," she says. "But my friends got me to my feet and urged me to walk." The broken bone rubbed against a major nerve, severing it.

She underwent years of therapy and submitted to several operations. But she has never regained full use of her leg.

Kim Marra was injured even more severely.

She had only the day before her accident won a Devon horse show trophy as the groom of Better and Better (ridden by Mike Plumb). The kick from one of her horses pushed the bone of her nose into her skull. She was flown by helicopter to the University Hospital's Shock Trauma Unit in Baltimore where her life hung in the balance for several days. She survived, of course, but she lost her right eye.

Says her father: "When Kim came out of the operating room she was full of tubes. They were coming out of her nose, mouth—everywhere. But she was conscious. When she saw me, she said: 'Dad, make sure my entry is in for Chesterland.' As for me, I never wanted to see another horse in my lifetime."

Kim, this year won Devon's FEI test astride Poltroon—defending champion Mike Plumb being forced to withdraw because of injury sus-

Ronald and Diane Marra own two of the world's best 3-phase horses, Laurenson (left) and Better and Better. Both are ridden by perennial champion Mike Plumb.

tained at Ledyard. Had Mike competed, he would have ridden Better and Better.

Although he has become highly enthusiastic about horses, Ronnie Marra has never professed a desire to ride them.

He met his wife when she was employed as an actress in the Cleveland Playhouse, the oldest repertory company in America. "The theatre was dark on Mondays," recalls Diane, "so I went out regularly on that day to do some riding. After I met Ronnie I asked him if he'd like to go with me. He said he would, but when we got to the stable all he did was sit on a log and hold my dog."

Mr. Marra has been involved in his family's construction business since his college days and the only riding he recalls is on the little pony that bucked him off "every day" when he was a child.



Photographs by Jack Dewell

The Marras' participation in 3-day eventing evolved through their daughter, Kim.

As a member of the Bridlewild Pony Club, she got interested in combined training. And to help Kim learn, the Marras signed her up as a student with Mike Plumb.

Kim developed into a promising junior rider. And Mike, of course, traveled the world, amassing fame and glory as this country's champion 3-day eventer.

It was at the Ship's Quarters event in Westminster (Md.) that Mrs. Marra first saw Better and Better. "I watched him compete for several months," says Diane, "then when he won that fall at Ledyard, I bought him."

Given to Mike to ride and train, Better and Better won the silver medal at the 1976 Olympics in Montreal.

When the Olympics ended, the Australian team announced that all of its horses were for sale.

Says Mr. Marra: "I told Mike to inspect them and see what he liked. He picked out Laurenson. It looks like he made a wise decision."

How does it feel to own two such remarkable horses as Better and Better and Laurenson?

"A little bit like eating peanuts," says Ronnie. "Once you start, you can't stop looking for more." □

Kim Marra, shown with her instructor Mike Plumb, has successfully returned to competition on her paint mare Poltroon after a kick resulted in the loss of an eye.



Maryland Foal Report

ALTO'S BEST, by Alto Ribot, gr.f., April 8, by Milingo Easter. Norman L. Hoff. Mare to Indian Topaz.

BIBI LOI, by Dunce, dk.b./br. f., February 27, by Silent Song. Milton Martin. Mare to Disc.

BO DRIVEN, by Wind Driven, dk.b./br.f., April 28, by Run the Risk. Willam J. Callahan.

BOSSY DAMSEL, by The Big Boss, b.c., May 25, by Duc de Great. V. A. Palumbo. Mare to Duc de Great.

BRISA, by Beau Max, dk.b./br.f., May 17, by Turn to Reason. V. A. Palumbo. Mare to The Big Boss.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT, by Nijinsky II, ch.c., May 30, by *Snow Knight. Windfields Farm Limited. Mare to Tentam.

CHARGING SUB, by One Sub, b.f., April 23, by Aristocratic. Pasquale DeFelice, M.D. Mare to Rollicking Reds.

FANNY B., by *Tudorka, b.f., April 23, by Patrician. Barbara Evans. Mare to The Big Boss.

*FEALTY III, by Make Tracks, ch.f., May 19, by The Big Boss. James Preusse. Mare to Duc de Great.

IF IF, by Promised Land, ch.f., June 5, by The Big Boss. V. A. Palumbo. Mare to The Big Boss.

IMPETUOUS LADY, by Hasty Road, ch.c., May 10, by Northern Dancer. Windfields Farm Limited. Mare to The Minstrel.

*MARITE, by Anaram II, b.f., May 31, by Duc de Great. Sam Dellaria. Mare to Duc de Great.

MISS BIG BOSS, by The Big Boss, b.f., April 1, by Patrician. V. A. Palumbo. Mare to Duc de Great.

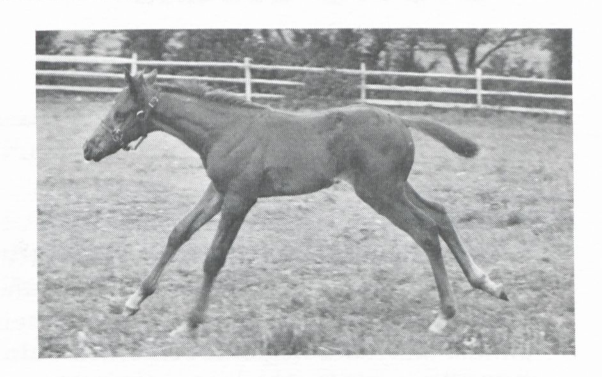
NORTHERN QUEEN, by Nearctic, b.f., May 31, by *Val de l'Orne. Windfields Farm Limited. Mare to Halo.

ONE SPOT, by *Cavan, ch.f., April 27, by Hagley. E. A. Helsing. Mare to Limit to Reason.

PEVY, by *Peveron, b.f., April 8, by Man Alive. Jean Keesecker. Mare to Man Alive.

QUEEN'S FACE, by Face East, ch.f., March 15, by The Big Boss. V. A. Palumbo. Mare to The Big Boss.

REASON TOGETHER, by Turn to Reason, b.f., March 3, by The Big Boss. V. A. Palumbo. Mare to The Big Boss.



John P. Ryon's chestnut colt, foaled April 23, by Run Fool Run out of Sam's Premium, by V-Two, stretches his legs at Fox Ridge Farm.

RED MAJ, by Tollesboro, ch.f., March 24, by The Big Boss. Rick Johns. Mare to Duc de Great.

ROBIN D., by Douglas Bruce, b.f., June 1, by Frankie's Nod. Vicki Fuller. Mare to Sir George Gaylord.

ROYAL HONEY, by Prince Jay, b.c., April 9, by Del Bee. William R. and Catherine A. Gore. Mare to Disc.

ROYAL MADAME, by Royal Orbit, b.f., May 27, by The Big Boss. V. A. Palumbo. Mare to Turn to Reason.

SABA SABA, by Alsab, dk.b./br.f., May 19, by Sir George Gaylord. Pasquale DeFelice, M.D.

SEVEN VEILS, by Bolero, b.f., March 3, by Milingo Easter. Norman L. Hoff. Mare to Indian Topaz.

SEX APPEAL, by Buckpasser, b.c., June 7, by Northern Dancer. Windfields Farm Limited. Mare to The Minstrel.

SHAKE A LEG, by Raise a Native, ch.c., May 18, by Little Current. Windfields Farm Limited. Mare to Caucasus.

SOLOMETEOR, by Victoria Park, ch.c., May 16, by *Snow Knight. Windfields Farm Limited. Mare to King's Bishop.

SPHINXLIKE, by *Princequillo, ch.c., May 23, by Halo. Windfields Farm Limited. Mare to For the Moment.

SPUMANTI, by Candy Spots, ch.c., May 12, by The Big Boss. V. A. Palumbo. Mare to The Big Boss.

Show, 3-Phase News Items



Pony Club Rally

Those three days (July 12-14) at Fair Hill proved a frantic time for members of the United States Pony Club competing in their annual Maryland Regional combined training rally.

Shortened from four to three days, the rally was so crammed with activity that riders scarcely had time to chat with their friends before making ready for yet another event.

Competing over property formerly owned by the late William duPont, Jr. (and now owned by the state of Maryland) were teams from two Pennsylvania clubs (Old Rose Tree and Blue Mountain) in addition to teams from seven clubs in Maryland.

For those riding at the B level, there was an incentive beyond the awarding of immediate prizes: the top four competitors would earn berths to the National rally scheduled in August.

It had been expected that the defending champion B team from Redland would again prove best, but the Redland riders lost their early lead in the stadium jumping with Elkridge-Harford capturing the rally's top honors.

Riding for Elkridge-Harford were captain Diana Berrett, Jean Seiler, Wendy Stewart and Matt Haley. The team's stable manager was Lee Ullrich.

Second place Redland (which lost by a score of 1,706 points to 1,688) was represented by captain Keith Burt, Jennifer Feldman, Denise Dodd and Donna Preston. The stable manager for Redland was Hawk Hutsen.

The four riders earning berths to the National rally were Dodd (Redland), Feldman (Redland), Stewart (Elkridge-Harford) and Haley (Elkridge-Harford).

Victory in the C team competition went to Redland with two of their three teams battling down to the wire in first and second positions.

Redland No. 1 was the winner. Their riders were captain David O'Connor, Joe Burt, Dan Hoffman and Jenny Ladue. Jackie Pope was the stable manager. Redland's No. 2 team consisted of captain Gail Preston, Cathy Gortner, Karen Phelps and Michele Morris. Stable manager was Eileen Beecher.

The rally began on a frenzied note with the grounds opening for horses at 8 a.m. on the same day that the dressage tests were ridden. (An earlier opening was impossible because the property was still being cleared from the Maryland Pony Show held the same week.)

The air rang with the sound of hammering and such cries as, "Where are the screw eyes?" The kids raced from pillar to post trying to get themselves settled in time for the formal inspection.

Janine Malone, from North Carolina, was the chief stable management judge. With eagle eye, she went over horse and rider, checking cleanliness and proper attire. To please this lady, a contestant had to be perfect.

The dressage tests were ridden before judges Dr. Ronald Scornovacca and Capt. Andrew B. deSzinay. They were tough in

their grading with Kathy Gortner (Redland No. 2 C team) achieving the best score (75).

The cross-country was something of a disappointment. The course simply isn't up to standard—a fact occasioned by the committee's difficulty in getting enough volunteer help to build the obstacles and also a lack of money necessary for the purchase of materials.

After the cross-country, the riders had barely sufficient time to cool out their horses before facing the written test.

Final phase was the stadium jumping. The Redland B's went into the ring with a good lead, but this evaporated quickly when Donna Preston, riding an unfamiliar horse, incurred 40 faults.

Before the ribbons were presented, Lee J. Sosnowski, the regional supervisor, made a brief but touching dedication of this 1978 Maryland Regional rally.

Said Mr. Sosnowski: "There is one lady who is not here today. This is the first Maryland Regional rally she has missed. She died two weeks ago.

"There would be no US Pony Club without her. She and her husband, together with a small group of interested horsemen, founded the US Pony Club in 1959.

"She gave unstintingly of her time and knowledge. Generations of Pony Clubbers knew and loved her. Some of us oldtimers have many happy memories of the annual summer camp at the Laurel race track and of her no-nonsense but fun teaching.

"We would like to dedicate this regional combined training rally to one of the all-time greats—Mrs. Dean Bedford." */Sally O'Connor*

Foreign Teams Accept

True Davis, president of the Washington International Horse Show, has announced the teams that will compete this year at the Capital Centre.

"We are very pleased to have received official acceptances from Ireland, Belgium and Canada," said Mr. Davis. "Earlier in the year we extended invitations to these countries and we look forward to the exciting international competition that this will provide at the show this year."

These three teams will each bring four riders to compete against the United States Equestrian Team. In addition, it is expected that there will be some late entries from individuals of other countries. The nation's top civilian amateurs and professionals will compete against the foreign riders. The Washington International is the only internationally recognized event in which this form of competition of amateurs, professionals and team members compete directly.

The show will begin on October 22 and conclude on the 29th.

Different Breeds On Display

More than 40 different breeds and types of horses will be exhibited in Lexington (Ky.) on Sunday, September 17 as a prelude to the Parade of International Teams of the World Three-Day Event Championships at the new Kentucky Horse Park.

A similar exhibition, entitled "475 Years of Horses in America," was coordinated in 1976 by Miss Fen Kollock of Washington, D.C. as a bicentennial exposition during the Washington, D.C. International Horse

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Show. In that year, the horse was named the nation's bicentennial animal in a poll of school children throughout the country.

In 1978, the "Year of the Horse" on the Chinese calendar, Miss Kollock will again organize a presentation of equines representing breeds or types that have had an influence on the equine industry in America. Those breeds of horses developed in the United States will be especially honored in the pageant's finale.

MHSA POINT STANDINGS

Through July 15, 1978

(Sacred Heart Breeders Show not reporting)

Gittings Horsemanship

Christina Heldrich, Melissa Moore, Leslie Keech, Patty Nicholson, Kimberly Ann Rachuba, Toles Summers, Susan Slacum, C. B. Thaw, III, Albert R. Urbina, John R. French, Jr., Kenneth Krome, Cindy Jo Cook, Terri Brown, Lindsey Anne Evans, Shelly Lebling, Patricia Hechter, Holly McLane Merryman.

MHSA Hunter Seat Horsemanship

Carrie Campanella, John French, Jr., Leslie Keech, Kenneth R. Krome, Holly McLane Merryman, Kimberly Ann Rachuba, Lindsay Sheehan, Susan Slacum, Toles Summers, Albert R. Urbina.

Maryland PHA Award

Classic Affair, Leslie Keech	11
Z Z Top, Cool Meadows Farm	7
Artist Touch, Susan Cohen	7
Toburk, Bonnie Lee Alexander	6
Split Decision, Linda Lee Piersol	6
Sunshadow, Sue Sherwood	6
Pay The Fare, Jill E. Quillin	5½

Small Pony Hunter

Precious Moment, Sandy Ferrell	179
Shenandoah Cherish, Kristin Solter	165
Heatherstone Senetti, Mr. & Mrs. Jack W. Stedding	125
Farnley Colorado, Kim Flowers	100
Measure Me, Heather Supik	93½
Farnley Beltane, Dona Jo Hurt	76

Medium Pony Hunter

Chanel, Fox Den Farm	459
Indy Anna, Mark Ferrell	207½
Shenandoah Sundowner, Renee Lee Kidd	180
Thumbelina, John Campanella	140
Farnley Hi Sign, Sandra Lytle	126
Shade, Mark Ferrell	103

Large Pony Hunter

Cloisonne, Susan Lynn Porter	394
Rendova Cheshire, Cynthia Lytle	166
Durban Castle, Marly Farm	126
Farnley Hi Time, Kim Stephenson	118
Needles N' Pins, Kimberly Ann Wirtanen	105
Saffron, Martha Eshman	92

Small Green Pony Hunter

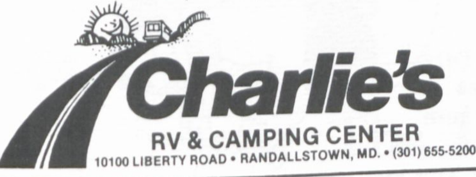
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Large Green Pony Hunter

Ice Capade, John R. French, Jr.	410
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Cygnet's Star, Cynthia Lytle	276
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Small Pony Jumper

Midnight Magic, Patti Kelly	62
Heatherstone Senetti, Mr. & Mrs. Jack W. Stedding	26
Turek, Jennifer N. Sampson	12

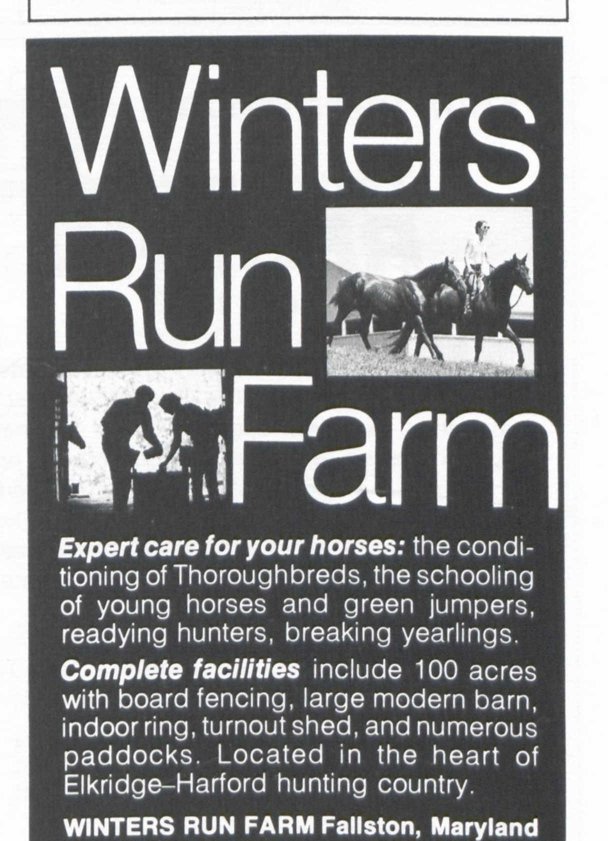


Medium Pony Jumper

Crown Prince II, Oak Knoll Farm	58
North Wind, Mrs. Gardner Hallman	49
Major's Done, Maslin's Little Acres	12
Velveteen, Denise Saylor	9
Burnt Toast, Marianne Whitney	8
Rolling Ridge Enough, Laura Byrd	8
Toy Patrol, Rebecca Foster	4

Large Pony Jumper

Rendova Cheshire, Cynthia Lytle	40
Final Fling, Sharon Cohen	28
Top Secret, Leslie Keech	27
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Flip The Card, Linda Lee Piersol	254
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War Music, Leslie Millner	93

Green Hunter

Sunshadow, Sue Sherwood	168
Classic Affair, Leslie Keech	144
Split Decision, Linda Lee Piersol	142
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Chosen Pal, Mrs. Linda J. Somers	235
City Woman, Valarie Morris	206
Catkin, Judy Ritchey	134
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Small Hunter

City Woman, Valarie Morris	134
Without A Doubt, E. L. MacDonald	60
Classic Affair, Leslie Keech	53
Dionysius, Carol B. Crump	32
Petite Etoile, Dr. Elizabeth R. Carmichael	32
Currency, Victoria Miller	20
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Working Hunter

Lee's Lieutenant, Mr. & Mrs. W. Taylor Cook	302
Paper Lace, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Barr	85
Don't Bar Gin, Oak Knoll Farm	78
Spring Surprise, Leslie Keech	52
Moonshadow, Sue Sherwood	42
City Woman, Valarie Morris	22

Junior Jumper

Guardsman, Wendy J. Bartko	140
The Poet, Patricia Millner	128

Tulsa's Valentine, Ranlyn Pines	116
Ed El's Bay Boy, Raggie Ridge Farm	67
Cloudy Dakota, Eric Frost	52
Cedar Meadow Frog, Jane E. Osborne	6

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Fine Wine, Charlie Walker	87
Answer Yes, Raggie Ridge Farm	75
The Incumbante, John C. Brighoff	68
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Kind and Nasty, Allen M. Forney	22
Tarzan Joe, Cynthia Anne Niznik	15

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Color Me Gray, Maslin's Little Acres	111
Have A Heart, Cynthia Anne Niznik & Wm. Carter	42
Scotch Lady, Lisa Pabst	37
Red Dart, Didi Callahan	31
Hi Boy, Robin Schmuhl	24
The Ski Bum, Leslie S. Toomey	18

English Pleasure Pony

Lady Cloud, Diana T. Smith	88
Captain's Cadet, Maslin's Little Acres	72
Quaker Lace, Maslin's Little Acres	71
Holly Golightly, Teresa L. Murray	37
Winsome, Kim Gibson	26
Duchess, Maslin's Little Acres	21
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Upland Dancer, Mrs. Norman R. Cooley	3
Marly Black Flag, Timothy S. Gove	2
Measure Me, Heather Supik	2

Ladies Side Saddle

Fleet Fritz, Patty Nicholson	20
Kelly, Marylisa Nicholson	14
Court Jester, J. Berk Lee	5
Clean Slate, Amy Callahan	4
Corner Whim, Patty Nicholson	3
She's A Beauty, Serelee Butts	3
Heatherstone Senetti, Mr. & Mrs. Jack W. Stedding	2

Eastern Shore Award

Red Dart, Didi Callahan	31
Tulsa's Valentine, Ranlyn Pines	12
Pay The Fare, Jill E. Quillin	8
Fritz, Oak Knoll Farm	8
Mad Tally, Country Comfort Farm	6
Chris Gaffon, Mollie A. Esterson	5
Otter's Smokey Dott's, Singletree Stables	2

Eastern Shore Award - Junior

Farnley Beltane, Dona Jo Hurt	76
Midnight Magic, Lisa Horn	60
Sansimar, Linda Lee Wolfe	58
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Holly Golightly, Teresa L. Murray	37

Pony Broodmare

Dailey Delight, Brooks & Streett Moore	15
Spring Mist, Mrs. H. H. Hackney, Jr.	5
Tidewaters Whipped Cream, Dona Jo Hurt	3
Lollipop, Joann Costa	3
Snoopy, Cricket Creek Farm	2

Pony Foals

Mission Control, Fox Run Farm	11
Evening Delight, Brooks & Streett Moore	8
Limelight, Mrs. H. H. Hackney, Jr.	5
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Count Wonder of Cedar Crest, Dilworth Farm	2
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Pony Two-Year-Old

Afternoon Delight, Brooks & Streett Moore	13
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Pony Three-Year-Old

Farnley Don Juan, Benjamin C. Sutley	22
Custom Made, Willow Wood Farm	18
Charmsley Centennial, Charmsley Farm	9
Charmsley Go Lightly, Charmsley Farm	8
Severn Ruffle, Olney Farm	4
Green Valley's April Velvet, Dilworth Farm	2

Thoroughbred Broodmare

Hoop d' Void, Mrs. Arthur W. Johnson	4

Thoroughbred Foal

Entry, Mrs. Arthur W. Johnson	3

Thoroughbred Yearling

Many Flash, Catherine Rittler	9
Heat Lightning, Mrs. Linda W. Reynolds	6
Entry, Mrs. Richard K. Thompson	3

Thoroughbred Two-Year-Old

Corner Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Ross A. Kennedy	11
Gingerwood, Letty Maione	6
Front Page, Mrs. Richard K. Thompson	2

Thoroughbred Three-Year-Old

Once Removed, Mr. & Mrs. Ross A. Kennedy	2
Crocodile Tears, Mrs. Sallie J. Sexton	2

Non-Thoroughbred Broodmare

Posh, Joan A. Wilson	9
Chanel, Mrs. Wallace P. Neilson	6
Sweet Pea, Lynn Counselman	2

Non-Thoroughbred Foal

Another Yankee, Joan A. Wilson	9

Non-Thoroughbred Yearling

Jerash, Mrs. Sallie J. Sexton	10
Highland Fling, Mrs. Robert Schnepfe	5
Island Trader, Stephanie Rudd	4
Sir Lancelot, Mrs. H. H. Hackney, Jr.	4
Irish Gypsy, Jean Dobson	4
Frisk, Peggy K. Tortorella	2

Non-Thoroughbred Two-Year-Old

Camelot's Latin Quarter, Mrs. I. L. Crawford, II	6
Not-A-Chance, Joann Costa	6
Seventh Wave, Robert DiNunzio	5
Irish Mist, Conald E. Weathers	4
Velvet's Spring Angel, Joan Sipes	4
Rebel Rout, Cathy M. Brock	2
Breezyseas, Reatha Osborn	2

Non-Thoroughbred Three-Year-Old

Paddle Star, Hunter L. Barrett	6
Dead Cert, Charles R. McGinnes	3

(Breeding animals with only one point not reported.)

Class 22, Small Handy Working Hunter at the Columbia Horse Center Winter Show, March 18 and 19, 1978 and Class 94, English Pleasure Hack at the Ocean City Show, May 5 to 7, 1978, will

not count for High Score Points as class specifications were not met.

Due to an error on the part of the Mid-Atlantic Welsh Pony and Junior Show held July 17 & 18, 1978, it is not recognized by the MHSA and no points or classes will count toward High Score Awards.

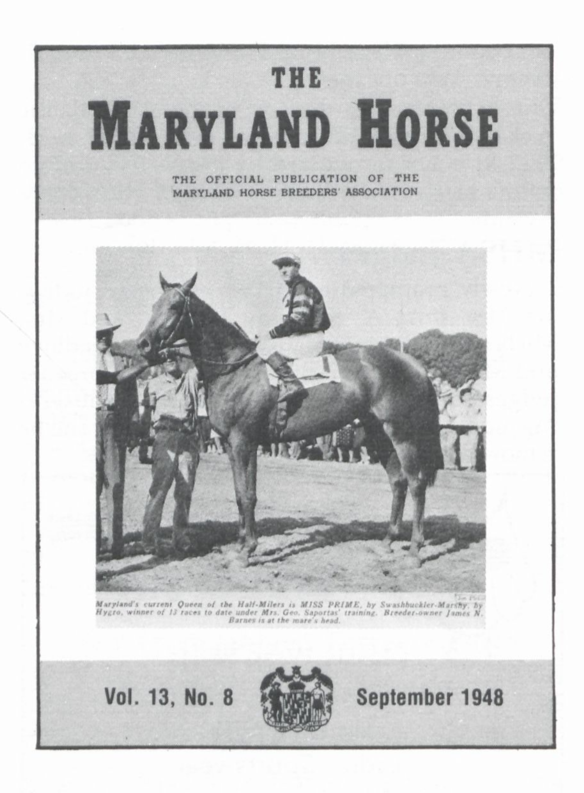
MHSA Judges

Newly promoted to MHSA registered judges are Mrs. Ross A. Kennedy and Mr. and Mrs. Michael K. Robertson. Mrs. Martha Breedlove and Mrs. Charles Maslin are additional breeder judges. Mrs. Renee Young has become an observing judge. Betsy Burton has requested that she be removed from the list of observing judges.

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Maryland's current Queen of the Half-Milers is MISS PRIME, by Swashbuckler-Marshy, by Hygro, winner of 13 races to date under Mrs. Geo. Saportas' training. Breeder-owner James N. Barnes is at the mare's head.

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▶ Shown on the cover was Miss Prime, Maryland's "current Queen of the Half-Milers," whose race record included 13 wins. The filly, bred and owned by James N. Barnes, was trained by Mrs. George "Babe" Saportas. She was by Swashbuckler out of Marshy by Hygro.

▶ News from the Maryland racing scene showed the sport prospering at Cumberland and Hagerstown "beyond the fondest hopes of its backers." Wagering totals exceeded those of last season at both places despite the general downward trend all over the country, wrote Don Reed. Meanwhile Marylanders were winning stakes out of town, W. L. Brann's Gallorette capturing the Whitney and the Wilson Stakes at Saratoga, Harry Isaacs' filly Isa winning the Mermaid at Atlantic City, and William duPont, Jr., "who is so close to being a Marylander he may be counted," capturing Saratoga's Schuylerville with the filly Gaffery.

▶ An account of the 1948 yearling sales reported, "Numerous market breeders are still rubbing their eyes, wondering just what happened to the lush prices they got for their stock a couple of years or so ago. The handwriting was on the wall last season. This year the lesson of the sales is inescapable." The general average declined by 25% but, according to the story, the value of the good individuals, by good performers out of good performers, did not suffer. "The big drop has come in those groups that were by moderate sires, or moderate racehorses . . . unproved as sires, and to the greatest extent of all, where the dam of the yearling lacked racing or breeding class, or had failed to produce something worthwhile in her first few foals . . . The moral of the story is that it now behooves every breeder who wants to stay in the business and face commercial opposition to streamline his operations so that only such mares are retained for breeding paddocks whose produce will appeal to the discriminating buyer of today's and tomorrow's yearlings . . . "

▶ An obituary for Charles Hechter described the passing of one of the "last remaining links between the present day horse picture and the halcyon days of equitation in the Baltimore area . . . For some forty years Mr. Hechter taught the elite of Baltimore the art of riding. Commencing his operations when equitation was really considered an art, and form was more important than it is in these easy days, Mr. Hechter was an exacting teacher, who took pride in the fine horsemen and horsewomen he turned out . . . "

▶ Wayne Dinsmore, secretary of the Horse and Mule Association of America, Inc., announced the re-establishment of the National Horse Pulling Contests "for the first time since the war." The pulling contest, to be judged by the dynamometer, was to be

held in Hillsdale, Michigan, and teams from Maryland were expected to compete.

▶ A feature on Elray Farm by Pat Judge told of this "mecca for Sunday travelers" between Bel Air and Baltimore. Owned by G. Ray Bryson, this Thoroughbred nursery stood the stallions *Abbe Pierre, Director J. E. and High Lea, the newest addition to the stallion band. This horse, a 5-year-old son of Bull Lea out of Juliet W., by High Time, was standing his first season. "He has proven very sure with his mares," writes Miss Judge. "He is a brown horse with a very small patch of white on his forehead . . . a rangy horse, the image of his illustrious sire . . . "

▶ Several milestones in the life and death of a beloved hunter, Mrs. James Clark's Confident, were recounted. "When the Howard County Hounds were reorganized, Confident was the first Thoroughbred hunter to appear in the field that was bred, owned and raised in Howard County. He was also the first Thoroughbred to carry the Hunt's colors in a recognized steeplechase, in which young Jim Clark rode him." When young Jim Clark went off to school, "he well knew his mother's love of hunting, and well knew that Confident would take good care of her through the field, and thus was established a bond that lasted for seventeen hunting seasons, during which Mrs. Clark's mount never fell, and never failed to give his rider a good day to hounds . . . "

▶ At the Saratoga yearling sales, Cortright Wetherill of Philadelphia purchased "Johnny Pons' daughter of Case Ace and Lady Glory, full sister to the stakes winner Raise You, which has already done so well in the Wetherill silks. He paid $10,600 . . . "

▶ And in The Editor's Saddle Bag, Humphrey Finney wrote: "July 22. Have spent most of the week working on the narrative to accompany the showing of the movie sponsored by the M.H.B.A., 'The Maryland Horse' . . ." Reporting later from Saratoga: ". . . never did Saratoga see such rain, thunder, lightning, and alarums and excursions, as Shakespeare had it, as we saw tonight. Not that horses or buyers were affected, however, for 50 head of yearlings brought $354,000 . . . "

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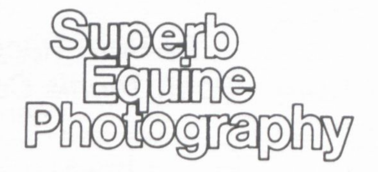
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Editorial

The Queen Is Dead

She stood beside the Number 2 tree in Saratoga's lovely paddock, radiant in every respect. A big, handsome chestnut filly—at the very peak of her remarkable career.

She was odds-on favorite to win the $100,000 Alabama Stakes, a mile and a quarter race for the finest 3-year-old fillies competing in America.

There under the Number 2 tree was the animal every breeder strives to produce. Winner of $314,507, on her way to being honored with an Eclipse award as a 1978 national champion.

Her attendants smiled with optimism. Owner Sally Gibson, her husband, John, and their family. Herman Cohen, the breeder who had sold her as a yearling. Dickie Small, the young, handsome trainer still trying to forget the tragic loss of Mrs. Gibson's Festive Mood who had broken a leg in his stall nine months earlier.

And there, too, was the filly's fan club. Young women wearing yellow T-shirts inscribed with the words "Caesar's Wish."

Sally Gibson, ignoring no one, went around the circle, shaking hands, bestowing kisses.

It was a coronation. A Maryland-bred was about to be crowned queen.

Uniformed guards pushed back the crowd, making a path to the walking ring where jockey Danny Wright was waiting to mount.

Filled with emotion, the Maryland people tagged along behind the queen.

A glorious day, even though the sun was missing, even though the track was wet.

Out we went to the front of the stands to see our champion crowned.

Ten minutes later, Caesar's Wish lay in the mud. She was dead.

Danny Wright, uninjured, dropped to his knees, rested his face against her shoulder and cried.

In the years to come, other great fillies will be saddled beside the Number 2 tree. But none will ever be more radiant, more handsome, more courageous than Caesar's Wish.

/Snowden Carter

RHOAD TO DAMASCUS

Bay, 1971, Damascus—Rhodabarb, by Solidarity

This 16.1 hand stallion reflects the quality usually associated with the nation's most expensive horses. Bred to be a stakes winner, he had a training accident which kept him from the races. Rhoad to Damascus is by Horse of the Year Damascus ($1,176,781, Preakness S, Belmont S, American Derby-ntr, Brooklyn H-nwr, Travers S-etr, Washington, D. C., International, etc.). Ten per cent of Damascus's foals are stakes winners, including Honorable Miss, Diabolo, Soy Numero Uno, Gold and Myrrh, Regal Rumor, Lord Durham, etc.

His dam, Rhodabarb, has produced five winners including Del Mar Oaks winner Alibarb. Rhodabarb is a half-sister to $200,000 stakes winner Old Pueblo (sire) and to stakes-placed Darker Shadow.

